

Settlement Of Fishermen's Strike Expected Today

Packed Chickens Like Sardines

On a charge of cruelty to animals, Chin Chiu, aged 37, was fined \$200 or six weeks by Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central yesterday.

Defendant was alleged to have carried 350 chickens in seven crates on board a junk alongside Kennedy Town Wharf. One of the chickens died.

Reminders

Today

Mahjong Lessons (Service men free), European YMCA, 8 p.m.
The 11 Club meeting, 50, Macdonald Road, 8.30 p.m.
Grand Casting Meeting, European YMCA, 8.30 p.m.
Chinese Manufacturers' Union Press Reception, China Building, 3 p.m.

Coming Events

TOMORROW

Barnstormers variety show for troops, European YMCA, 8 p.m.
Kowloon Rotary Club Luncheon, Peninsula Hotel, 12.30 p.m.
Speaker: Dr. Olinde de Saun, Subject: Colour Blindness.
Y.M.C.A. Men's Club, luncheon, Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 12.45 p.m.
FRIDAY
Members' Council meeting European YMCA, 8 p.m.
HK Light Orchestra Singers rehearsal, St. John's Cathedral hall, 7 p.m.

Many Unemployed Seamen In HK

More than 20,000 seamen of all nationalities are out of employment in Hong Kong today, the majority being Chinese, authoritative sources estimated yesterday.

The Chinese Seamen's Union, largest labour organisation in China and controlling the major part of the Colony's Chinese seafaring community, revealed that 70 per cent of its members are at present unemployed.

"Most of these unemployed seamen are from North China and were total strangers when they arrived here," a senior official said.

These people were lured by remunerative promises to bring down steamers from Chinese ports in the North during the hectic evacuation days, he asserted.

"But once the ships arrived here, the owners dismissed the men on the ground that the ships would be laid up, despite promises of steady employment in the Colony," the official declared.

Consequently, during the days early of this year, there were more than 20 labour disputes aboard these Chinese ships, the CSU man pointed out.

The differences between owners and workers were the same in practically every dispute, he added.

"The men complained of breach of promises, while the owners protested that lack of business and the unseaworthiness of the ships compelled them to dismiss the seamen," he said.

Most of the ships are now riding at anchor in Tolo Harbour, Shamshuipo and Yau-nan.

The labour troubles were successfully settled through the CSU.

The men were maintained until they were sent to their respective homes.

"The latest dispute, however, between the owners of the ss. Hal Fung and the ss. Hal Liang and 47 seamen is still unsettled," he said.

The dismissed seamen are meanwhile staying in a flat opposite the CSU Office at Hill Road awaiting the result of their appeal to the higher court.

It may be recalled that 37 of these men were sentenced to seven days' imprisonment when they were brought before the Marine Court on a charge of refusing to obey instructions from the master to sail the ship.

Donations in cash and kind were given by some 100 seamen from 18 vessels in port to the 37 men.

The men returned to their ships yesterday to remove their baggage under police supervision aboard the ships in Tolo. Officials of the CSU helped the authorities and the seamen to prevent any untoward incident.

Jobs For Some
Now constables from the Immigration Unit are keeping vigilance at Hill Road on the dismissed men.

When the result of a proposed appeal by the seamen is known, they will be sent to the owners. The Shipping Company regarding the dispute.

The 10-day-old fishing junk strike at Shauiwan, involving some 600 fishermen of 21 mechanised tin tins, will probably be settled today and half of the fleet is due to resume operations some time this evening.

Representatives of the Shauiwan Fishermen's Guild and the Shauiwan Fishing Junks' Owners' Guild met last night to put the final touches to the agreements reached at the Labour Office yesterday.

The owners have conceded to the fishers' requests that they (owners) bear the expenses incurred for operation fuel, which before the walk-out, had to be borne partly by the fishermen.

But the fishermen have to sign bonds that they will not go on strike again and stop operations.

The walk-out started on August 30 when about 500 fishermen stopped work aboard 15 mechanised fishing junks at Shauiwan after their three-point demands were not considered.

They demanded that the owners should bear the costs of fuel for the engines, transportation charges for quick delivery and fees for auction "boosters".

The mutual arguments for the future were that they receive board and lodging plus some pocket money. The profits of the catch are shared.

The owners pay 70 per cent of the fuel expenses, while the fishers donate the remaining 30 per cent. On the ground that the cost of living has risen up tremendously and that they could not afford to forfeit part of their profits, the fishermen claimed that the owners should bear the total cost of fuel.

Catch Increased
Normally before the junks were mechanised, the fishers received from \$20 to \$250.

But after the catch increased considerably, the fishers received from \$200 to \$250.

Says Lu Han To See Chiang On Yunnan

(Continued From Page 1)

At the same time, dissident elements in Szechuan province which are opposed to the central Government's return to Chungking may take a stronger stand as a result of General Lu Han's alleged coup in Yunnan.

A Chinese military spokesman, commenting on Kunning, said here today: "There is some question as to the fall of that city but it is not serious enough to threaten the anti-Communist campaign."

He said that the situation had resulted from agitation in recent months by students and workers with Communist sympathies.

He estimated that the Nationalists had 40,000 or more regular troops in Yunnan and that General Lu Han had 10 to 15 regiments in the provincial Peace Preservation Corps.

The general military situation in China has slackened in the past few days.

The threat to Canton from Red General Lin Piao's and General Liu Po-cheng's troops is as serious as ever, but with the offensive gains under way, the people here hesitate to predict when they might arrive.

Two months have gone by since the Communists resumed their military activity but they are well behind schedule. They are still suffering from difficulties. Main attention is focussed on the Canton drive but fighting on other China fronts is also significant.

Supplies from Russia, even if only air-routed, would be quicker across that territory than by the Trans-Siberian railway through Manchuria. It could also be that the Russians intend to extend their buffer states such as Manchuria, Mongolia and Chinese Turkestan the same way they had created by force states along the European border.

Another important movement is taking place along China's South Eastern seaboard opposite Taiwan. The Communists want to occupy the coast from Fochow Southwards to Amoy for the following reasons:

1. To prevent Nationalist supplies entering China from Taiwan; 2. To prepare against a possible Nationalist second front from Taiwan; and 3. To launch an offensive on Taiwan from the mainland. An invasion of Taiwan is unlikely at present. It could only be carried out by native craft without air cover.

In Taiwan, the Generalissimo has a competent air force, troops in constant training and a small navy. The future of Taiwan seems stable for several months to come.

The Cabinet will meet tomorrow to discuss the Kunning situation. It is now admitted in official circles that a "change" has taken place in Kunning but no further comment is available. Chinese reports reaching Canton stated that no fighting took place in Kunning.

The Canton spokesman of General Lu Han, Governor of Yunnan, said tonight that he had received a message from the Pacific Fleet Headquarters in Yunnan stating that air communications have been resumed.

The spokesman added that telegraph and post services were in Kunning, and that the city was under the control of the Nationalist Government.

He said that the Nationalist Government had been imposed in Kunning where the population were reported to be uneasy. Many shops closed their doors yesterday.

Correspondent, Associated Press and Reuters.



Mr. Sanford Clark, Mrs. Kay Sheldon and Mr. Tyler W. Spafford, of Grant Advertising, Inc., who have arrived in Hong Kong. ("China Mail" photo).

Everybody's A General In The YMCA

Bill Ingram was quietly making the rounds of the YMCA on a hot afternoon two weeks ago, when a harried young British officer catapulted into the lunch room and humbly ordered 600 cups of tea.

In ordinary times a caterer would have needed ten minutes to recover from his shock, but Bill Ingram immediately rushed into the kitchen ordering every available pot and pan that would hold water to be put on the stoves; called the staff from the office and cleaning departments to pitch in, and in half an hour, waiters were streaming over to Kowloon docks with steam-tinged tea for UK servicemen who had arrived in Hong Kong less than an hour before.

Yesterday, sitting in his office, he said that such emergencies were everyday occurrences now that troops were arriving for the Hong Kong garrison, and in fact, the emergencies had added a pleasant "kick" to his work.

Bill, Australian-born general secretary to the local YMCA, said that his organization had thrown all of their available facilities open to the servicemen, and that currently they were being visited by about five to six thousand men each week.

He said: "I don't want to give the impression that we are forming miracles here; actually, there is much for small to provide facilities for 20,000 odd troops, but the servicemen do seem to like us."

Troops Welcome
When told that among the several scores of servicemen, interviewed previously, there were many complaints about Hong Kong in general as a base but that they all had a good word for the "Y," Bill Ingram put back and said: "It is no puzzle to me that the troops enjoy coming here. The explanation, I think, is quite simple. The troops are welcome here."

"I always tell new staff members, that in addition to being a business, the YMCA is also, above everything else, there is always this for sincerity and friendliness."

To the average soldier coming to Hong Kong, there is, almost inevitably, a letdown from what he had expected.

They arrive in the harbour with their farewells which were echoed in Surrey or Sussex, Scotland or London, still in their cars. They are travelling halfway around the world to man a bastion against Communism, and when they arrive, there doesn't seem to be any great fuss by the local people over them, and the New Territories seem peaceful and quiet enough.

In addition, the problem is complicated by the very size of the Colony's total population, and the comparatively small numbers of Europeans living here. Even now, the servicemen outnumber the European civilians.

For this reason, there is bound to be a letdown, and that is exactly where an organization such as the YMCA comes into the picture.

Mrs. Enith Ingram, who also works in full-time at the YMCA, said that the work of the YMCA was to help the troops to adjust to their new environment.

Another advantage of the YMCA for the servicemen is that in the building, there is no rank privileges. Bill Ingram said that about six weeks ago, a young officer came into the canteen, and asked his way ahead of the troops, expecting to be served promptly.

Bill said: "I just went over and whispered in his ear: 'Everybody's a general in the YMCA,' and he had smartly stepped back into the line. He added: 'The troops get enough discipline on duty, and we like to make the Y a sort of neutral meeting place for the men of all ranks.'"

In addition to providing a meeting place for troops, the YMCA also has started a lending library, games of chess, draughts, cards, table tennis, darts, quoits, cribbage, pinball, swimming, sight-seeing tours, music programmes, dramatic clubs, badminton, hot baths and showers, tennis, bridge, and mahjong classes.

They are also arranging dancing and Cantonese lessons. Officials of the YMCA offer the explanation of this work by saying they have always placed particular emphasis upon their responsibilities to the Service, and that Hong Kong is no exception.

Mrs. Ingram was the originator of the "Women's Volunteer Group" serving in the YMCA, and she said yesterday that her group was working with the servicemen to help them to adjust to their new environment.

Encourage Talent
The spokesman said that the YMCA was encouraging the men to use their own talents and abilities. For example, he said the Servicemen's Club had a talent show.

Advertising Executives Visit Colony

Two members of the Grant Advertising, Inc., from the United States, both with millions in the Far East but on different assignments, are now in Hong Kong, having arrived here following the wake of each other.

They are Mr. Sanford Clark, International General Electric account, executive attached to Grant-New York's International Division, and Mrs. Kay Sheldon, International Research Director of Grant-Chicago.

Mr. Clark, who reached here several days ago, met Mrs. Sheldon at the Kai Tak Airfield yesterday upon her arrival from Manila with Mr. Tyler W. Spafford, manager of Grant-Manila.

Mr. Clark is visiting various Grant offices in the Far East with the view to bringing about closer co-ordination in serving the I.G.E. account.

Mrs. Sheldon was sent to help Grant-Manila organise a fully staffed research department.

Court Brevities

A young Chinese boy, Lui Hok, aged 24, was sentenced to eight months by Mr. Hin Shing-lo at Central yesterday on a charge of attempted larceny.

Wong Wah, aged 23, was given nine months and two weeks for attempted larceny and breach of a deportation order.

Inspector Wong, who prosecuted, said that at 3.30 p.m. on July 30, an month, Li Sze, a woman in Fah Kung Street, Causeway Bay, found first defendant searching a trunk with second defendant.

Defendants were arrested by Chow Man, a carpenter, living at the same address.

Three soldiers were yesterday remanded for one week by Mr. Hin Shing-lo at Central on a charge of assault and causing grievous bodily harm.

Defendants, Harry Bertram, of the 25th Field Regiment, Norman Bertram, of the 27th AA Regiment, and Arthur Taylor, of the 25th Field Regiment, were charged with assaulting Lam Hing-yuen on September 4, in Queen's Road East near the Royal Naval Dockyard. The complainant is at present in hospital.

For returning to the Colony after having been banished for life on August 10, Li Sze, a woman aged 51, was sentenced by Mr. A. D. Scholes at Central yesterday to a year's hard labour and to be banished for life. Defendant was arrested on September 4.

On the application of Inspector H. B. Dewar, Mr. A. D. Scholes at Central yesterday granted the confiscation of an air rifle, the property of Raymond Ko, who was sentenced to 12 months for leaving the Colony shortly and wishes the Police to dispose of the rifle.

A Chinese motor car driver, Wong Wah-hung, aged 24, was given the option of a fine of \$200 or eight weeks imprisonment by Mr. Hin Shing-lo at Central yesterday on charges of careless driving and having defective brakes.

According to the prosecution, defendant was driving a private car along Lee Yuen Street on September 5.

Defendant was stopped by the Police who tested the car and found the brakes not in working order.

Defendant's car knocked down a girl who was injured. The Magistrate ordered defendant to pay the girl compensation of \$300.

REINFORCEMENTS FOR MACAO

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N. GARLAND,
Acting
Director of Marine.

Marine Officer,
Hong Kong, Sept. 5, 1949.

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Action Over Tenancy
In Supreme Court

An action for a declaration that the tenancy of
Room 408, Bank of China Building, was held
in trust by defendants in the case solely on
behalf of Mr. H. K. Woo, the local solicitor,
commenced yesterday at the Supreme Court.
Plaintiff claims that defendants, Wings and Com-
pany, present occupiers of the room, had
transferred that tenancy from plaintiff's
name into defendants' own without his know-
ledge.

Woo also seeks a declara-
tion that he is entitled to re-
fuse rent in excess of the sum
paid by defendant to the land-
lord. He further claims such
other relief as the Court may
decide.

Defendants deny plaintiff's
claim that they hold the tenancy
in trust for plaintiff. They say
that plaintiff is nothing less than
a sub-tenant in respect of the
room, and that further plaintiff's
rights in the sub-tenancy are sub-
ject to the Ordinance.

Woo, whose offices are at Bank
of China Building, is represented by
Mr. H. A. Benesch, instructed by Woo
and Mr. A. J. Clifford on the
instructions of Mr. P. L. Lam
is appearing for Wings and Com-
pany.

The statement of claim sets out
that on April 1, 1923, defendant
first became a tenant in the Bank
of China Building.
About 1927, plaintiff became
tenant of room 408 on the third
floor of the same building. The
agreement was for a tenancy on a
monthly basis and was in writing,
which was not however available
at present.

Wanted For School

In 1941, it is further claimed,
the head lease of the Bank of
China expired, and plaintiff be-
came a direct tenant of the owner,
the executors of one Foo Sik, de-
ceased, on similar terms and con-
ditions. This agreement was in
writing but was also not avail-
able.

About the end of 1942 plaintiff
through his attorney came to an
agreement with defendant by
which defendant was to have use
of the room in question together
with the furniture therein. The
written agreement was however
lost.

Defendants wanted the room
on a temporary basis for the
purpose of opening a school to
teach Japanese. They agreed to
the terms that possession of the
room was to be given back to
plaintiff or his return from the
interior of China, and that in
plaintiff's absence defendants
would pay rent that was pay-
able by plaintiff to the land-
lord.

About November, 1944, defend-
ant arranged with the agents for
the landlords that the tenancy of
the room should be transferred
into their own name. As this was
done without his consent or
knowledge, Woo claims therefore
that his tenancy has never been
legally terminated.

Plaintiff returned to the Colony
on February 19, 1946—after the
war—and immediately told de-
fendants to vacate the room. De-
fendants gave plaintiff partial oc-
cupation for a while, but quit
entirely in April, 1948. Ever
since, plaintiff has been in ex-
clusive occupation.

Defence Case

The case for the defence on the
other hand is that between
February 1947 and December 1947
plaintiff completely abandoned
room 408, Bank of China Build-
ing, which plaintiff previously
used in his capacity as a solicitor
before August 1946.

Denying the existence of an
agreement between defendants
and plaintiff, to the effect that de-
fendants could use the room in
Woo's absence in 1942, or that in
plaintiff's absence they should pay
rent direct to the landlord, de-
fendants claim that what actually
happened was that a written
agreement was entered between
themselves and Woo Pak-yung,
son of plaintiff and partner in the
firm of Woo and Woo.

By this agreement it was laid
down that defendants were to pay
a rent of M\$15 a month for the
room. It also provided that in the
event of Woo Pak-yung requiring
the room, he should give one
month's notice to the defendant,
and vice-versa.

Wings and Company further
deny plaintiff's claim that the
tenancy of the room in November,
1944, was transferred into the de-
fendants' own name without
plaintiff's knowledge.

About September 1945, defend-
ants claim, a concubine of plain-
tiff, one Woo Sam-lai, informed
defendants that the room be re-
quired by her. As a result of this
defendants told her they were
willing to hand over the room
but that she must pay rent
straight to the landlord. The con-
cubine agreed to this.

Relying on this promise, de-
fendants did not pay rent for
October, 1946. But when the
landlord applied to defendants for
payment, they had to make in-
quiries whether any member of
the Woo family required the room
any more. On being answered in
the negative, defendants on
November 11, 1946, accepted the
tenancy of the room from the
agent of the landlord.

The defence is further that
about February 1946, plaintiff in-
quired from defendants whether
they were willing to give up the
room, as he intended to resume
practice in it.

After some negotiations, plain-
tiff and defendants signed an
agreement in writing about March
20, 1946, whereby defendants
sub-let the room to plaintiff at
\$141 a month on condition only
that should plaintiff be able to
find other accommodation, he
should return the room to defend-
ant.

It was also verbally agreed that
plaintiff should pay defendants
\$1,000 as living collectors' fees and
remuneration for having looked
after furniture in the room.

In August 1946, plaintiff
succeeded in obtaining office ac-
commodation in Prince's Build-
ing. He however did not return
his room in question to the de-
fendants, in breach of the
agreement of March 20, 1946,
defendants allege.

Defendants finally deny holding
the tenancy in trust for plaintiff,
claiming that plaintiff is sub-
tenant in respect of the room, and
further that his rights to the sub-
tenancy are subject to the Or-
dinance.

Hearing will continue at 10 a.m.
today.

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tions. One call may sound as if
it is based on a stronger hand
than you hold, and can cause
your partner to get your side
over its depth. Another may
make your hand sound weaker
than it is, and so egg your oppo-
nents into a contract that is too
high for them. If you follow
certain deals in a duplicate game,
you will find widely different
tunes played on them by the
several types of musicians in-
volved.

S 10 4 3
H J
D A Q 8 5
C A Q 6 3 2
S K Q 8 6
H K 5 2
D J 10
C K J 9 4

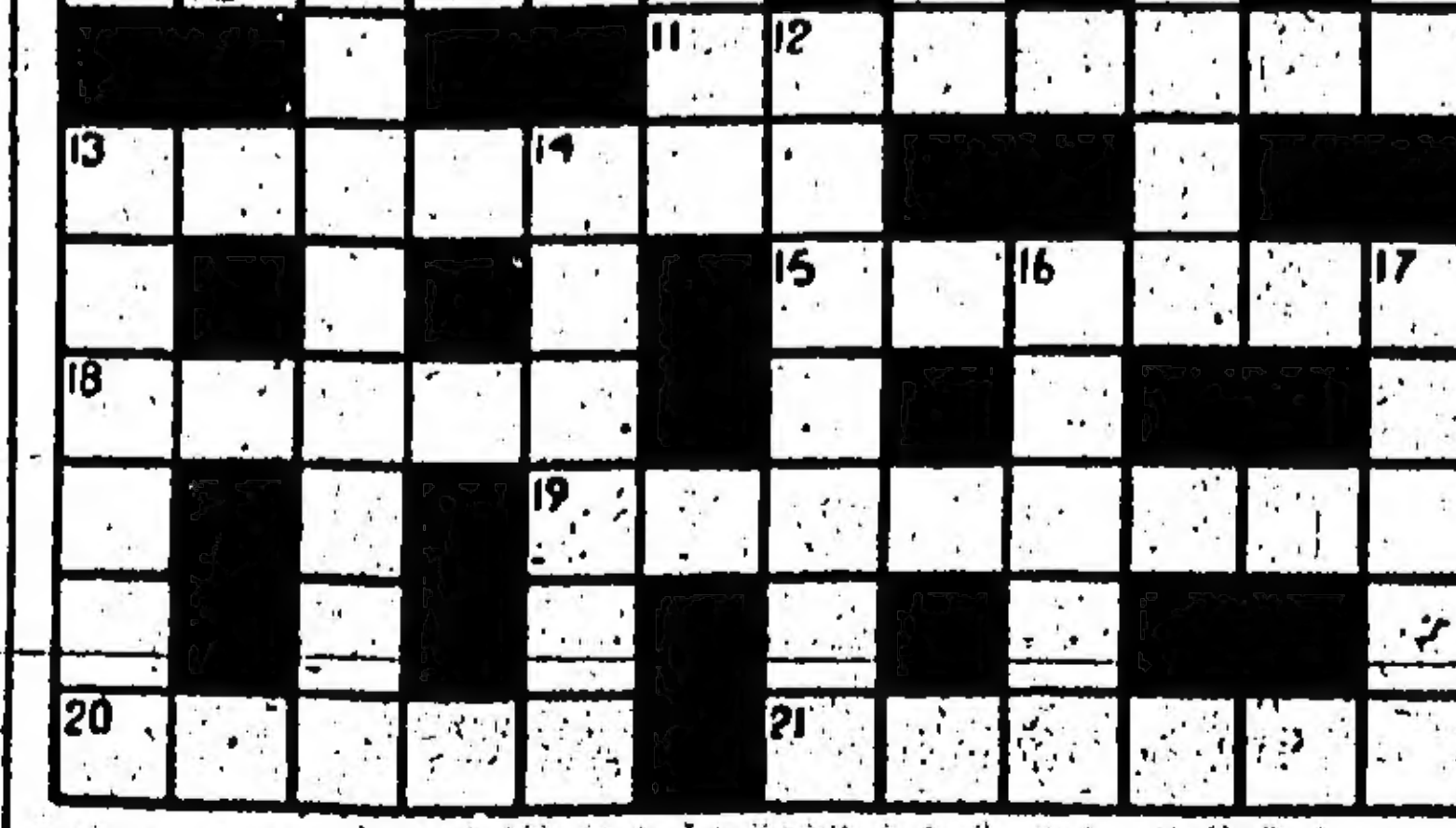
Notice how the variation be-
tween bids by the South player
at two different tables influenced
the moods of others. At Table 1,
where South did nothing except
give his partner a single free
raise in diamonds, he made his
side sound weak to East and
West, who therefore considered

themselves strong enough to
over-reach themselves into a
heart game. The club 8 was won
by the Q, the A scored. South
ruffed a club, the diamond 2 was
led to the A and the spade A
scored later to beat the contract
two tricks.
Where South bid 1-Spade on
his first turn at Table 2, he con-
sidered that sound because he had
a nice fit for diamonds and a
singleton in clubs so that he could
later support the diamonds if his
partner didn't like spades. En-
suing developments there made
both North and South sound
stronger to each other than they
were, so they got too high. The
result was likewise down two, as
at the other table, only it was a
different side which got beaten,
and these victims were doubled.
One trick each went to the de-
fenders in the two red suits, plus
two in spades and the ruff of a
club with the diamond 9.

Tomorrow's Problem

S 9 7
H A 9 8
D 10 9 5 3 2
C K J 2
S K Q 8 5
H J 4
D A 8 7 6
C Q 5

Why is it unsound bridge to
lead the heart A against West's
4-Spades?



A BRITISH CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Across
1 Clumsy gait. 15 Hidden.
4 Month. 18 Acknow-
7 Lively. 19 ledge.
8 Gems. 19 Muse.
9 Husky. 20 Tax.
11 Set out. 21 Hang down.
13 Calculate.

Down
1 Cholera. 12 equipment.
2 Hesitate. 12 Started
3 Beg. again.
4 Zeal. 13 Nockwear.
5 Servant. 14 False.
6 Tenant. 16 Cleric.
10 Military. 17 Subject.

Yesterday's Crossword
ACROSS: 1 Plus; 4 Donated; 6
Tier; 9 Ship; 10 Bargain; 11 Omit;
12 Mask; 14 Trimmer; 17 Order;
19 Cedar; 22 Tremble; 25 Mean;
27 Tame; 28 Guller; 29 Net; 30
Road; 31 Pounce; 32 Sire.

DOWN: 2 Litter; 3 Stroke; 4
Debit; 5 Grater; 6 Anger; 7 Exile;
8 Most; 13 Eden; 15 Note; 16
Yarn; 18 Altera; 20 Amends; 21
Easter; 23 Rouse; 24 Molar; 25
Kane.

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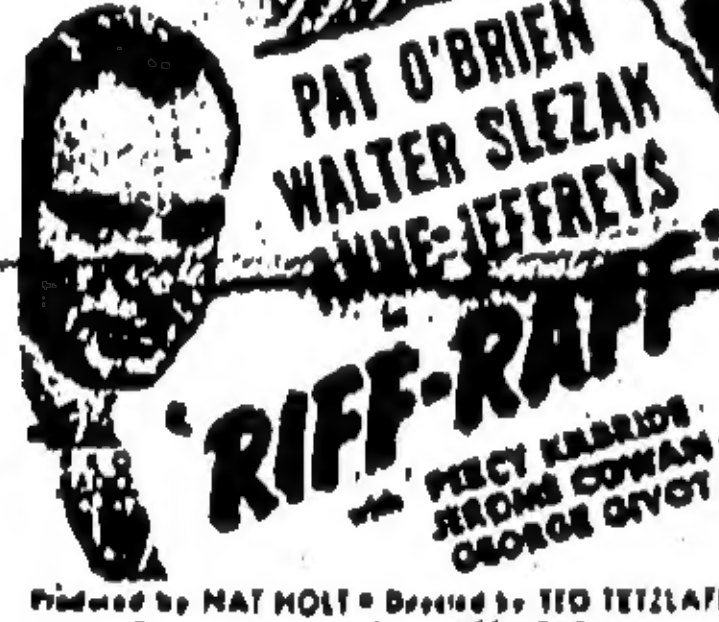
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PITCHED BATTLE IN STREETS OF MILAN

Milan, September 5.

Communist workers and riot police, supported by armoured cars, fought a pitched battle today in Milan's industrial district of Sesto San Giovanni, "little Stalingrad."

First unconfirmed reports said one policeman and two workers were killed.

MASS MURDER HORROR

Hamburg, September 5.
Details of mass murder by German special task forces in South Russia were given today to a British Military Court trying Field-Marshal Erich Von Manstein on war crimes charges.

Major Elwyn Jones, prosecuting, read official German documents in support of charges nine and 10 of the indictment, under which Manstein is accused of complicity in the massacre of Jews, gypsies and "undesirable" Soviet citizens.

Some details from the official German reports were as follows: A total of 75,881 people executed in the Crimea, 10,000 of them only a few miles from Manstein's headquarters, "successful operations" against Soviet political commissars, the shooting of many Jewish men and women as "reparations," the extermination of all the Jews in the Kertsch Peninsula, where they comprised five per cent of the population.

Commander of the notorious Task Force D was Major-General Erich Ohlendorf, now under sentence of death in Landsberg Prison, Bavaria.

Major Jones said that evidence would show that the 600 men comprising Task Force D—Hitler's extermination squad—accompanied the armies commanded by Manstein and, in fact, worked hand in glove with members of his forces.

"Their job was murder," the prosecutor said. "It was to kill every Jewish man, woman and child they could get hold of, as well as gypsies and other Soviet citizens whom Hitler regarded as undesirable."

"It was a huge operation and was carried out with a considerable amount of success,"—Reuter.

ANGELA LANSBURY FLIES TO U.S.

London, September 5.
Blonde Angela Lansbury and her new husband, Peter Shaw, who travelled nearly 12,000 miles to be married in the city of her birth, flew back to America today. The film star and the Broadway-bound Hollywood set designer were married on August 12 in the Scottish Presbyterian Church.

Angela wanted the ceremony to take place at the Anglican Old Bow Street Church, just around the corner from her birthplace, but church officials refused because both she and Peter Shaw had been married previously.—Associated Press.

New York, September 5.
The Diamond Match Company, one of the world's largest manufacturers of matches, announced the largest order for book matches in its history—550,000,000 books of matches for a Florida cigar manufacturer.—Associated Press.

Both the police and workers used machine-guns and other automatic weapons in the riot.

The battle followed a disturbance earlier in the day in the centre of Milan.

Some 200 employees of the Breda mechanical works, once one of the greatest arms works in Europe, demonstrated in front of the Breda offices against lay-offs at the plant.

Baton-wielding riot police, wearing helmets, charged and broke up the demonstration.

To keep other demonstrators from entering the heart of the city, the police threw up road-blocks across main streets leading from Sesto San Giovanni, long the heart of Communism in the industrial North of Italy.

War-time Weapons
Shortly after the street battles were set up, some workers tried to crash through.

The police fired several volleys over their heads in an effort to halt the charge.

The workers opened up with two machine-guns, wounding two policemen and two Carabinieri. One of the policemen later died.

The workers were using war-time weapons which Communist partisans had all over the North of Italy.

As the melee continued around the barracks, other workers began firing on the police from the upper storey windows of the adjacent Marelli electric plant and from the roofs and windows of nearby houses.

Vicious Attacks
Simultaneously, workers in the street erected their own barricades in front of police positions by wheeling up trucks and shoving them into place. For 45 minutes, beginning at 3.30 p.m., an intense exchange of fire raged in the area.

The police, numbering about 500, repulsed two violent attacks by the workers. The total number of demonstrators was estimated at 2,000.

Shooting ceased when a Parliamentary commission, which included Communist Senator Mario Albertini and Communist Deputy Achille Mammignani, prevailed on the workers to withdraw.—United Press.

BRITAIN TO HELP MALTA

London, September 5.

Britain has agreed in principle to help Malta, Dr. Boffa, the Maltese Premier, told Reuter's today.

He made the statement after his final interview in the 24-day Malta aid talks with Mr. Arthur Creech Jones, the British Colonial Secretary.

"The Colonial Office's view is that a deep study will have to be made of Malta's economic problems and I am flying back to Malta tomorrow to consult the Cabinet and the House about who should be appointed to make that study," Dr. Boffa announced.

"Whether it will be one of our experts or whether it will be a man from Britain I cannot say. The important thing is that Britain wants the economic survey made before going further into what she will do to help us," he added.

Dr. Boffa said it is not improbable that he will come back to London to continue the negotiations with the Colonial Office after the survey has been made.

Asked if he is confident that aid will then be given by Britain, Dr. Boffa replied: "They have promised."—Reuter.

COLOMBIA RIOTS

Bogota, September 5.

Strong forces have been sent to three Colombian towns where 10 people were killed in political clashes, according to reports from Tunja, 80 miles North East of Bogota.

The groups, who have been reported to have modern arms, including sub-machine guns, are said to have attacked Saboya and Santa Rafael, in the province of Boyaca, and Mogotes, in the province of Santander.—Reuter.

Britain's New Jet Planes

London, September 5.

Britain has produced her first jet night fighter plane, and also a single seater fighter with an engine 85 per cent more powerful than the famous Vampire, it was announced tonight by the De Havilland Aircraft Company.

The night fighter, the DH-113, is a version of the Vampire with a two-seater nose housing full radar, designed in the lines of the Mosquito. The prototype has done about 10 hours' test flying.

The other plane, the DH-112 Venom, is a development of the Vampire, earlier types of which are in service in 10 Air Forces. It is powered by the De Havilland Ghost engine, 55 per cent more powerful than the Goblin in the Vampire, giving extra speed, climb and ceiling.—Reuter.

Petrol Smugglers Nabbed

Hanover, September 5.

German Customs officials in Lower Saxony have smashed a smuggling ring which carried at least 11,000 gallons of petrol from the Russian Zone to Western Germany.

Three firms in Berlin, including a textile firm which cooperates with the Soviet Military Administration, are believed to be involved.

German officials said that the petrol was carried over the zonal border in barrels labelled as containing chemicals. They were accompanied by normal bills of lading.

One of the drivers involved is said to have confessed that the petrol was sold on the black market in Western Germany for the equivalent of a shilling a gallon.—Reuter.

BOMBAY TALKS ON KASHMIR

Bombay, September 5.

Talks on the Kashmir dispute between the Indian Prime Minister, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, the Indian Deputy Premier, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel and the Kashmir Premier, Sheikh Abdullah, adjourned at Bombay this evening without an indication whether India would accept arbitration on the truce dispute with Pakistan.

The talks concerned letters on the dispute from Mr. C. R. Attlee, the British Prime Minister, and President Truman.

Pandit Nehru intends flying to Delhi on Tuesday. A final decision on the Anglo-American proposals will be made at New Delhi after a Cabinet meeting at which Patel will be absent, as he is convalescing in Boinly.

Nehru met Patel for the second session of the conference this afternoon. He said later: "It would not be fair to say anything at this stage. However, the letters were understood to have been given serious consideration and in a three and a half hour talk, most of the ground was thought to have been covered."

Nehru intends to meet Patel again at 8 a.m. Indian Standard Time before his departure on Tuesday to continue discussion on pressing problems of which Kashmir is only one.

The economic crisis with sugar prices rising and textile mills closing down for want of orders will figure prominently in the talks.

The communications from Mr. Truman and Mr. Attlee on the Kashmir question have not been made public.—Associated Press.

San Remo, Italy, September 5.

Delegates of 25 nations are attending the Annual Congress of the International Transport and Insurance Union, which opened here today.—Reuter.

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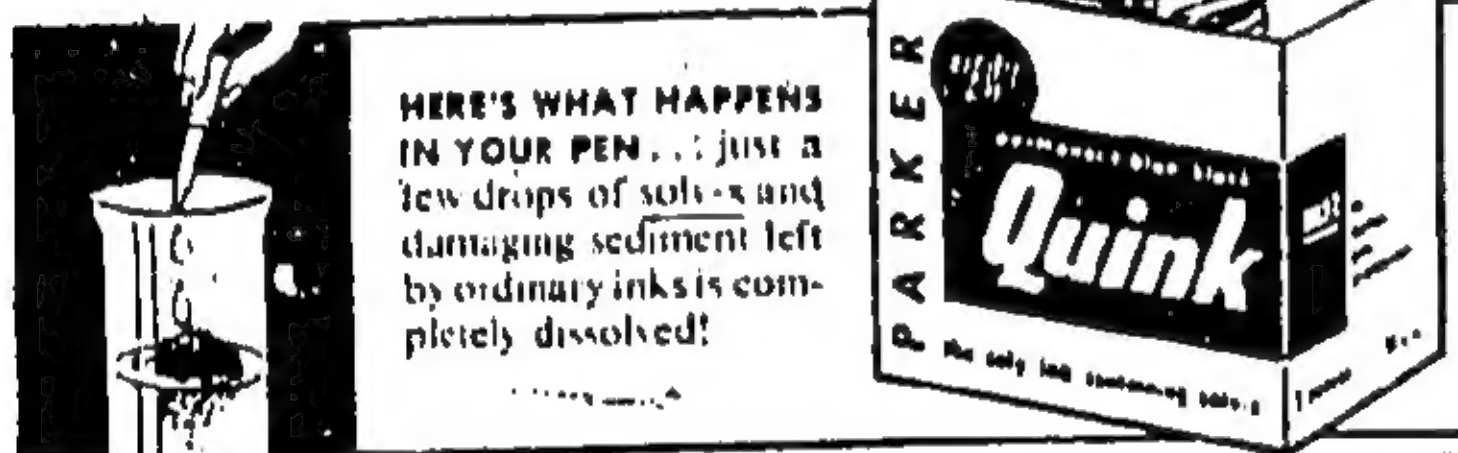
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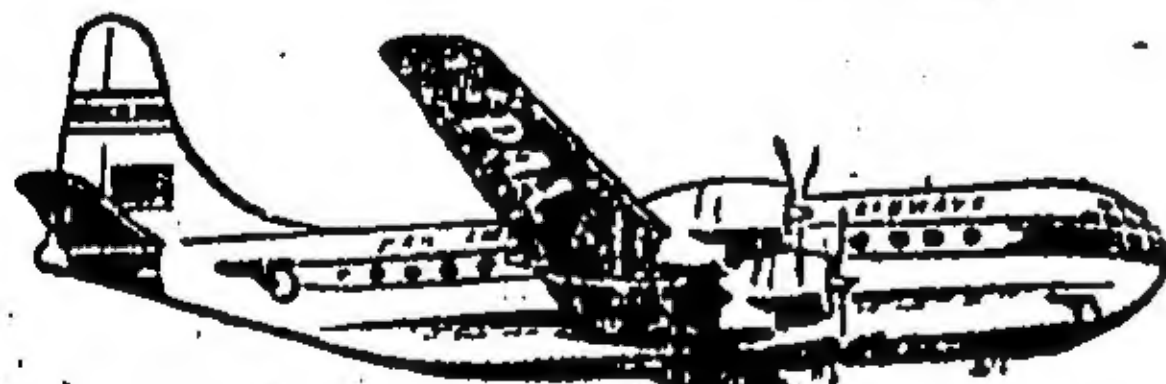
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CLOSE THE RANKS MOVEMENT IN TUC

MOSCOW ON TUC MEETING

London, September 5.
A Moscow Radio commentator tonight accused the right wing leaders of Britain's Trades Union Congress, which is holding its annual Congress at Bridlington, of trying to gain approval for the Labour Government's policy of "new concessions... to American monopolists."

"The Council of the TUC, he added, is doing its best to please the British Government and to give a free hand to Sir Stafford Cripps, Chancellor of the Exchequer, in the Washington talks to make the concessions 'at the expense of the interests of the British working class.'"

The commentator continued: "In journalist circles, it is confirmed, for instance, that the Marshal Plan Administrator, Mr. Paul Hoffman, during his recent visit to Britain, told several leaders of powerful unions that the American delegation at the forthcoming talks with Cripps and Bevin will demand unconditionally from the Labour Government a cut in the Health Service expenditure and other social schemes."

"This will lead to a further drop in the standard of living of the British workers,"—Reuter.

Britons Sweater In Heat

London, September 5.
Britons sweated in a heat-wave today after sleeping fully through one of the hottest September nights for many years.

At 10 a.m., the highest-ever temperature for that time of day was recorded in London—81 degrees Fahrenheit.

Surprised onlookers cheered when a young girl began to swim in one of the fountains in Trafalgar Square this afternoon.

A heat wave shimmered over most of Europe as many cities reported the hottest September day for a century.

The shade temperature at Le Bourget Airport, near Paris, was 91.4 degrees Fahrenheit.

Brussels reported the hottest September day for nearly 50 years—90 degrees Fahrenheit.

The Hague said that it was the hottest day this summer and a September record for more than 100 years.

Frankfurt's riverside was crowded with thousands seeking relief from the sweltering city streets in the waters of the Main River. City temperatures were up to 80 degrees Fahrenheit.—Reuter.

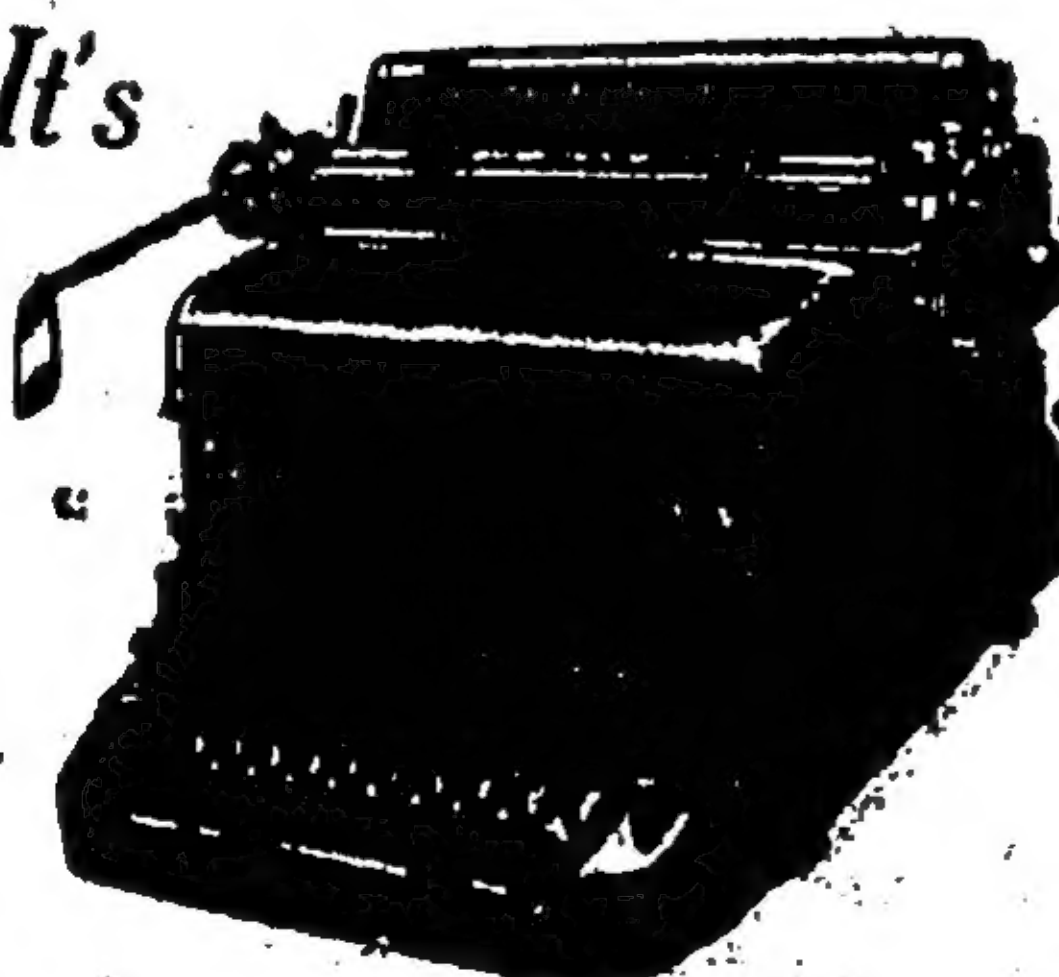
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Bridlington, September 5.

The cheers of nearly 900 delegates, representing 9,000,000 British trade unionists, tonight gave momentum to a great "Close the Ranks" movement of the annual Trades Union Congress, which opened here today.

Leaders of the three wings of the Left—the TUC., the Labour Party and the Co-operative Movement—keyed their Congress speeches to the forthcoming General Election, in which the Government will be fighting to retain office.

Sir William Lawther, President of the TUC., set the tone of today's proceedings when, addressing the delegates, he replied in forceful language to critics, both Conservative and Communist, of the Labour Government and of Britain's industrial achievement.

"Slanders and lies about 'our country are having serious consequences,'" he said. "They are sowing the seeds of suspicion and ill-will against us in other parts of the world, particularly in the United States."

Criticism of British workers is contradicted by the facts, he asserted. "We should not have achieved—as we have achieved—a total industrial production of more than 25 per cent above the pre-war level if British workers were living down on the job."

Sir William then struck out at the Communists. Their activities in the recent stoppage in the Port of London were disgraceful and discreditable, he said.

He warned the nation's trade unionists not to become involved in strikes deliberately engineered by Communist agitators. Recently the strike weapon had been abused, Sir William said.

"In our trade union policy and practice, the time has come to say that unofficial strikes must be outlawed," he declared.

Unions' Future

Sir William developed this point in an important declaration of his personal estimate of the future role of trade unionism in Britain.

"The movement is at the parting of the ways. It will go on in the old way, treating every difficulty that arises in industry as the manifestation of an irreconcilable conflict of interest between employer and employee, or it could assume the new duty of guiding the advance towards industrial democracy—the development that are now taking place by which capitalist profiteering enterprises are being transformed into public services."

In the General Election, he said, a Labour defeat would mean a reversal of the policy of progressive socialisation, full employment and social welfare.

"What lies before us is essentially a continuation of the effort we have been called upon to make to maintain our freedom and our democratic way of life. Much heavier tasks yet await us," he added.

The Congress gave this address a quiet and serious consideration, only expressing its feelings when a small group of delegates booed part of Sir William's attack on the Communists.

Other delegates drowned the boos in a chorus of cheers.

Tragic Weakening
For several hours the Congress settled down to reviewing the ac-

tivities of the leadership during the year, but this afternoon the "Close the Ranks" movement was resumed and consolidated with speeches by fraternal delegates from the Labour Party and the Co-operative Union.

Mr. James Griffiths, Chairman of the Labour Party and Minister of National Insurance, recalled that it was just 50 years, since a Congress of Trade Unionists decided to take the initiative in establishing a political Labour Party.

"We have witnessed in recent years a trade weakening of Social Democratic Parties in many lands and sometimes that weakening began by movements against the Social Democratic Parties and their industrial organisations," he said.

There are those in Britain who would like to see a rupture here, he added.

Mr. Griffiths said that the Labour Party is planning an extension of democracy to the industrial field and the Trade Union Movement would thereby acquire new opportunities and new responsibilities.

Passionate Appeal

He described the results which he thought would follow a Labour electoral defeat.

"We have seen cumulative attacks on the policy of full employment and the welfare state. There are those who prescribe an unknown dose of unemployment as a remedy. If unemployment was a remedy, the Britain of the thirties should have been a land without problems and its depressed areas of Durham and South Wales should have been a paradise," he said.

Mr. Griffiths, who was a former Wales miner, ended with this appeal passionately delivered: "A return to those days may mean a major defeat for democracy throughout the world."

"No other body of men and women can do more than you to return the Government. Give us 1,000,000 men and women for every £1,000,000 our opponents have. We are the bulwark of social democracy in the world."

Dispute With BBC

The differences between the TUC and the British Broadcasting Corporation—largely arising from the rapid development of television—were reported to the Congress.

The General Council is seeking recognition of 11 trade unions organising BBC workers but has failed to get it, and the dispute has been referred to arbitration.

A delegate, rejecting the BBC claims that it pays recognised union wages though denying recognition, alleged today that some jobs are paid as much as £5 a week below the union rates.—Reuter.

Hecklers Have A Field Day

Bridlington, September 5.
The annual Trades Union Congress was marked by much heckling on the part of delegates.

When Sir William Lawther, TUC President, declared that some work stoppages had been instigated deliberately by the Communists, there were two outbreaks of booing in the gallery, almost immediately drowned out by applause.

"Get away," yelled a heckler.

"I say to the Communists: let them get away," Sir William retorted.

Once, when the TUC chief mentioned "Communist agitators," a woman in the public gallery shouted "Clap trap."

—Associated Press.

FAMOUS PILOT KILLED

Cleveland, Ohio,
September 5.

Captain William P. Odom, holder of the round-the-world and light-plane distance records, was killed today on the second lap of the Thompson Trophy event at the national air races.

A reporter, who reached the scene, said that Odom's plane crashed into a house, injuring a boy and a woman, who were taken to hospital.

Captain Odom's flight in a light aircraft from Honolulu to Teterboro, New Jersey, on March 7-8 this year was listed by the National Aeronautics Association as the greatest non-stop solo distance flight in the history of aviation.

His flight of exactly 4,957½ miles, compared with the 1927 record set up by Charles Lindbergh who, flying from New York to Paris, covered 3,609 miles, and the New York to Berlin flight by Wiley Post in 1933 of 3,943 miles.

Captain Odom was 29 when he established his record last March.

Captain Odom was flying the "Bogwina," a dark-green modified Air Force fighter owned by Miss Jacqueline Cochran, a noted racing pilot herself, and the wife of Mr. Floyd B. Odom, a New York financier, when he crashed today.

His death was reported from the flight operations stand for air races.—Reuter.

BURMA REBELS EMPLOY RUSS

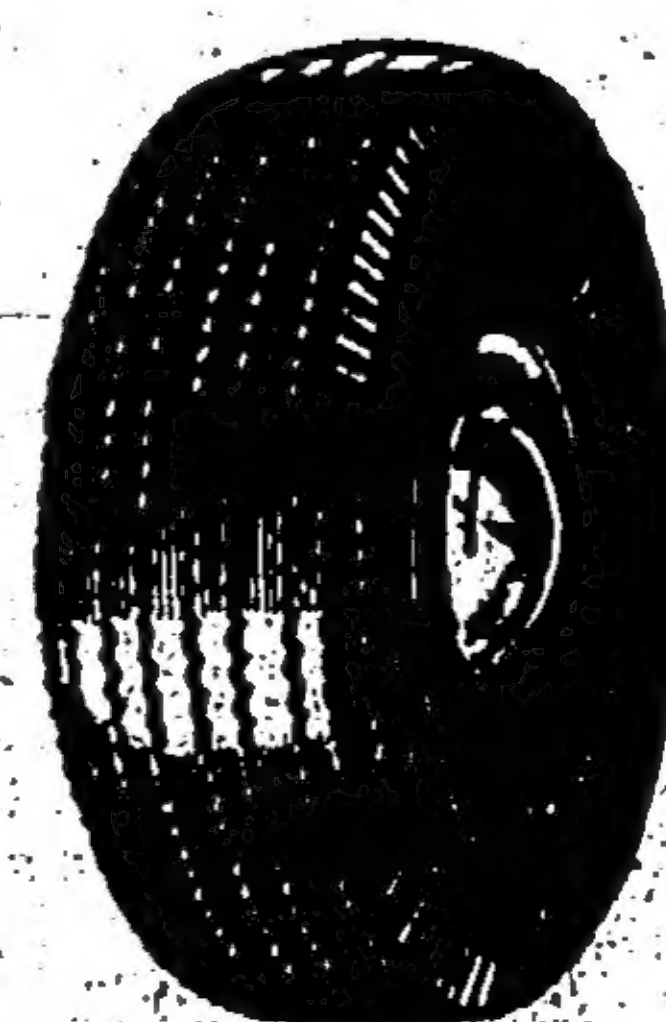
Rangoon, September 5.
Karen insurgents disguised as fishermen attacked a Burmese Government outpost along the Irrawaddy Delta, West of Rangoon, the Burmese Army Radio said tonight.

The "fishermen" retreated after suffering heavy casualties, it added.

Two insurgent river craft were sunk when Burmese Air Force planes bombed and machine-gunned rebel concentrations in the Delta area, the Radio said. Rebel strongholds in the Henza district, to the North West were also heavily bombed.

Fifteen insurgents were said to have been killed in a two-hour battle in the Schwebo district of Upper Burma.—Reuter.

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It's perfectly legitimate for tourists to amble around Rome's streets in shirt sleeves while scorching sun makes the pavement sizzle. But bare arms are bad news to the guardians of the Holy City's churches, particularly in the great St. Peter's Basilica where Swiss Guards patrollily but firmly put up the stop sign to transgressors of the bare flesh ban. Result—traders with a smooth sales approach are renting black smocks of the type worn by Italian Government employees to forgetful tourists. Rental is five shillings sterling plus about £2 deposit. Photo shows a Scots visitor, Dr. Robert Donald (right) donning a hired jacket from a Roman trader outside St. Peter's. Since the smock kings went underground, the traders have taken to renting ordinary jackets. Note Donald's shorts—Scots are the only race allowed barelegged into the churches. The concession stems from the Scots' custom of wearing the kilt. (AP Photo)

REALISTIC WAR GAMES HELD IN WESTERN ZONE

Frankfurt, September 5.

More than 110,000 troops today launched the United States' biggest peace-time manoeuvres in Germany.

Two "armies," consisting of equal numbers of ground, air and naval forces, will spend 10 days in the field during the manoeuvres, styled "Operation Harvest."

Units of the green-uniformed "aggressor" army, which controls a 370-mile front from Fulda, in Hesse, to Paderborn, on the Austro-Bavarian border, are to begin an all-out offensive aimed at gaining control of the junction of the Rhine and Main rivers near Mainz.

The "aggressor" is presumed to have conquered an area extending from the new "front" to the point where the American zone joins the Russian zone, Czechoslovakia and Austria.

Observers from at least 12 countries are expected to witness operations ranging from the bridging of the Danube by combat engineers to the largest American airborne troop-carrying mission since the end of the war.

Almost every aspect of wartime battle conditions will be reproduced for "Operation Harvest."

Field hospitals will be set up in the rear areas, and a hospital plane will shuttle between military hospitals with simulated—and possibly some real—casualties.

Aerial Traffic Cops

Army chaplains will accompany the troops of both sides into "battle" and will conduct services in the field for Catholic, Protestant and Jewish troops.

Newspaper reporters will become "war correspondents" again and will submit their despatches to the Army censors.

One novelty in the manoeuvres is that military police will direct traffic from radio-equipped observation planes. They will also

use mobile crime detection units to finger-print "spies and agents" from the opposing forces.

For the first time in such manoeuvres, civil affairs officers will accompany the troops into captured towns and villages to set up "Military Government."

400 Planes

Mobile shower-baths, kitchens, refrigeration units, mess halls, post offices, map-printing presses, libraries and water purification units will follow the troops.

American naval units will also take part, using river patrol boats and landing craft on the Rhine, Main and Danube Rivers, and more than 400 American Air Force planes will operate.

The operation will be under the joint command of Lieutenant-General Clarence Auetner, Deputy Chief of European Command, and Lieutenant-General John Cannon, commanding American Air Forces in Europe, and Admiral John Wilkes, American naval Commander in Europe.

They will control the movement of both armies, although the "enemy" will have three fictional commanders.—Reuter.

FERTILISERS TO GOST MORE

Tokyo, September 6.
The Government yesterday announced a 13 per cent increase in the producer price of ammonium sulfate and a 15 per cent increase in that of calcium cyanamide. Both are chemical fertilisers.—Reuter.

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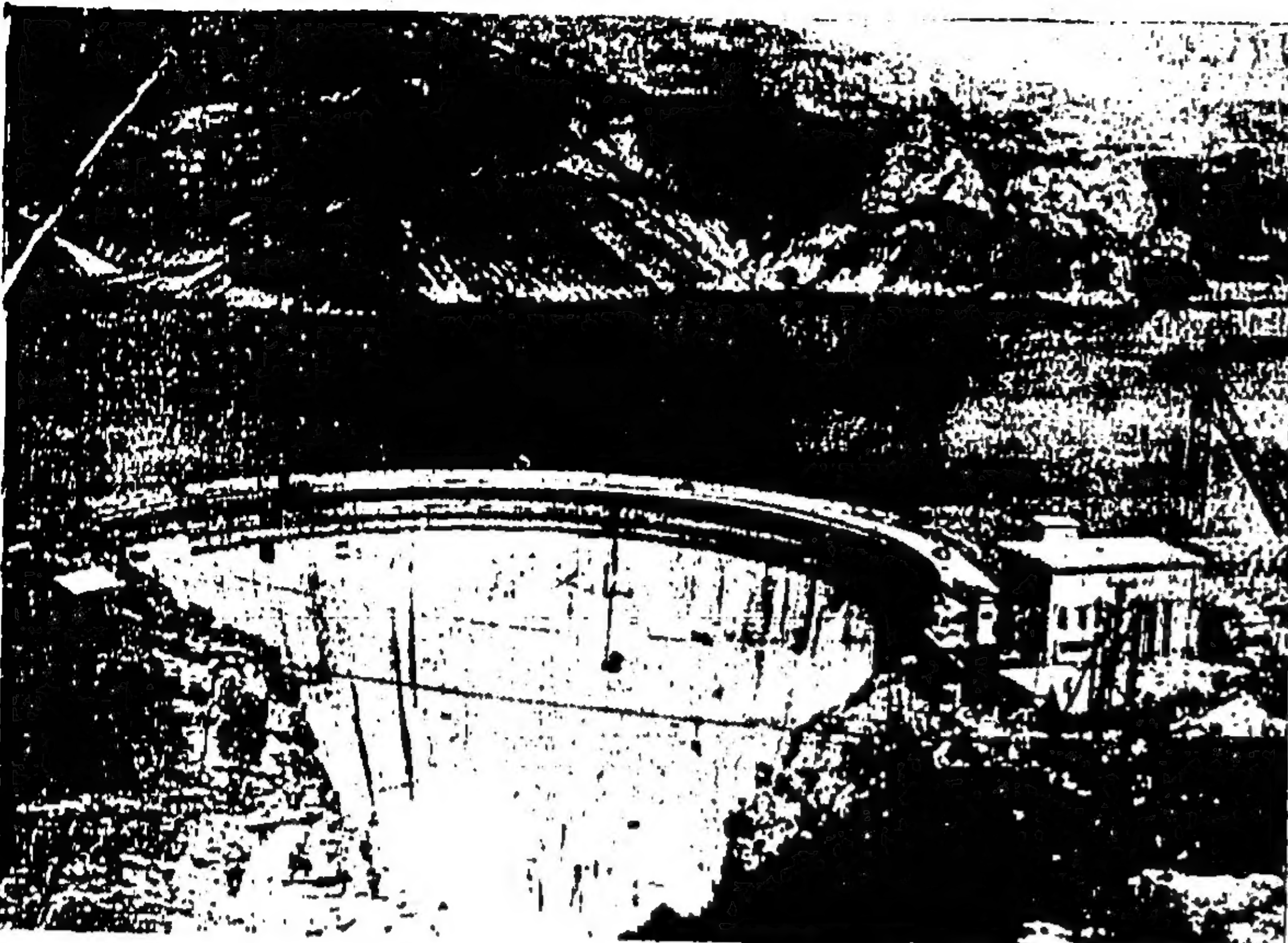
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GREAT TRAGEDY IN EUROPE POSSIBLE: GREECE'S WARNING

PLAN FOR A WORLD COUNCIL

Stockholm, September 5. A British plan for a "World Council of Professional Men" as a basis for a World Government was adopted here today by the World Movement for a World Federal Government. The Congress also passed a resolution presented by the International Council of Women that half the seats in any World Government should be reserved for women. It decided to collaborate with the movements working for regional federations, such as Mr. Winston Churchill's United Europe Movement, provided they do not compromise on the essential principles of federation. The Movement decided to send its thanks to the Mayor of Hiroshima, the atom-bomb town, for his message of goodwill. The Mayor's message was delivered through the Japanese delegate, Mr. Morikatsu Inagaki. Dr. Ravi Shankar Lohia, the Indian Socialist leader, told Reuters today that he was amazed at the amount of armaments that is going on all over Europe. He is here attending the World Federal Government Congress.

"I am fatalistic enough to think that unless some great effort of will is made there will be an explosion. Therefore, I am interested in peoples and countries striving to maintain active neutrality among the Great Power blocs," he declared.

Dr. Lohia said: "One of our problems today is to avoid undue centralisation. Federation shows the way."

He believes that any World Government must be based on the five-pillar system.

This means autonomy for the village or town and for the district in district affairs, provincial self-government for provincial affairs, he added.

"The Federal Government, constituting the fifth pillar, would be concerned only with world affairs and would not interfere with the internal affairs of member states," he observed.—Reuters.

PRINCE'S DEATH

Havana, September 5. The Italian Prince Camillo Ruspoli Candriano, aged 60, died of heart ailment today.

Prince Ruspoli, who was married to a Cuban named Martha Blau Terry, lived in Cuba for many years.—United Press.

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European Mission To U.S. Approved

Strasbourg, September 5. After ending its debate on political union tonight, the European Consultative Assembly adopted the amended report of the Economic Committee by 80 votes to two.

The final report, debated in detail last week, calls for a European Economic conference and a mission to the United States to discuss the dollar shortage.

The recommendations now go to the Committee of Foreign Ministers.—Reuters.

ECONOMIC CRISIS WARNING

Prague, September 5. The Minister of Finance, Jaroslav Kabes, warned today that Czechoslovakia would suffer if an economic crisis hit the West.

Mr. Kabes told a meeting at Pilsen: "We, of course, also will be touched by the crisis of capitalism and we shall feel it, especially in international trade, which we need very badly."

"But our economic system and our links with Russia and the popular democratic states make us stronger than we would be under other conditions."

Sixty per cent of Czechoslovakia's foreign trade is with the West.

Mr. Kabes said Czech farmers and workers are not as fear-stricken as their American counterparts because of mutual economic planning among the Eastern European states.

"Fear of economic catastrophe presses down on the American farmers and workers because they know very well they will bear the brunt of the depression."—United Press.

changes in the political structure of member states.

Later the Assembly voted to double its size and eliminate alternatives (reserves for Assemblymen) a provisional which had drawn criticism from Britain's Herbert Morrison before he himself was elected.

This action was taken in approving, by a close show of hands vote, a resolution backed by France's Andre Philip and Britain's Ronald Mackay. In effect it would make full-fledged delegates out of the present alternates, thus doubling each nation's representation.

Majority Vote

This must first be approved by the Ministerial Committee and by each member government before it can take effect, because it would mean a change in the statute text.

Most British Conservatives and the Irish delegates opposed doing away with alternates. Labour deputies supported it.

Earlier the Assembly overwhelmingly approved a provision making the admittance of new members subject to a simple majority vote in the Assembly as well as to approval by the Ministers.

The group was directed to formulate precise proposals for unification, including definite recommendations for necessary

Strasbourg, September 5. The British Conservative MP, Harold MacMillan, today told the European Consultative Assembly that Winston Churchill, as Britain's wartime Prime Minister, proposed Europe's unification as a barrier against Russian barbarism.

The proposal was contained in a secret memorandum to the British War Cabinet in October, 1942, Mr. MacMillan said.

From other sources it was learned that the memorandum was sent to the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, and that a copy was also sent to President Franklin D. Roosevelt.

In his note Mr. Churchill declared it would be a "measureless disaster if Russian barbarism overthrew the culture and independence of the ancient states of Europe."

German Issue

Mr. Churchill expressed the hope that the European family would act unilaterally within a "Council of Europe" and said his ultimate goal was a United States

body of opinion is moving to the view that this matter cannot be allowed to drift."

Mr. MacMillan warned against too much delay in taking in Germany.

"Time is short," he declared: "It may well be that if we delay too long it will be too late."

Human Rights Gauge

He urged the Assembly to use its new human rights charter—not yet passed but still in the Committee stage—as a gauge for admitting new members, mentioning the Saar and Austria as well as Germany as possible candidates.

He added that this could be used as an incentive to the decent elements in Germany to return to the European family.

Mr. MacMillan asserted: "It is of the utmost importance to make it plain at the earliest possible moment to all the decent people of Germany—and there are many millions of them—that there is an honourable future open to Germany in working together with the peoples of Western Europe in partnership and peace."

From Conservative quarters it was learned that Mr. MacMillan's speech was made with the direct approval of Mr. Churchill, if not on Mr. Churchill's express instruction. Mr. MacMillan pointed out that Mr. Churchill's views were not based on recent or opportunist decisions—a reference to Labour Party charges that Mr. Churchill has been using European unity as a domestic electioneering device.

The speaker also pointed out that Mr. Churchill wrote his memorandum at one of the darkest periods in the Allied war effort, just before the Allied landings in Africa, a time when the Russians were backed up against the Caucasus Mountains and the British were having a difficult time in their Egyptian campaign.—Associated Press.

ABDULLAH IN CORUNNA

Corunna, Spain, September 5. King Abdullah of Jordan arrived here from Britain tonight for a 17-day visit to Spain. He was welcomed by General Francisco Franco, the Spanish head of State.

King Abdullah and General Franco drove through streets lined with cheering crowds to the City Hall for a reception.—Reuters.



MR. CHURCHILL

of Europe which would minimise barriers between the nations and permit unrestricted travel.

His term "Council of Europe" was the title suggested for this organisation earlier this year when the statute was signed by the 10 charter members.

Mr. Churchill also anticipated the original number in a sentence expressing the hope to see "a Council consisting of perhaps 10 units, including the former great powers."

Mr. MacMillan produced the Churchill memorandum in urging speedy consideration at the Assembly's next session the admittance of Germany.

Recalling that Mr. Churchill had first moved this three weeks ago in the Assembly, Mr. MacMillan added:

"In these few weeks many things have happened in Germany, some good, some bad. The position is still fluid. But I have observed that a large

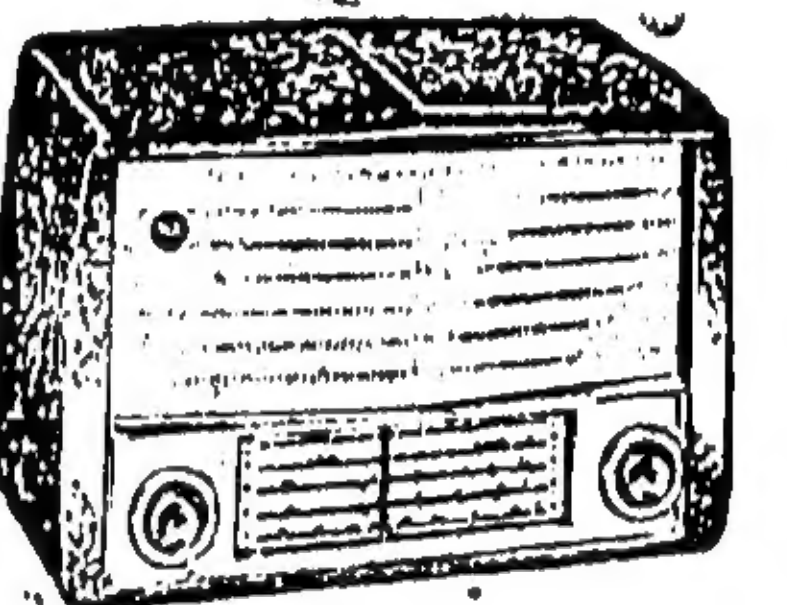


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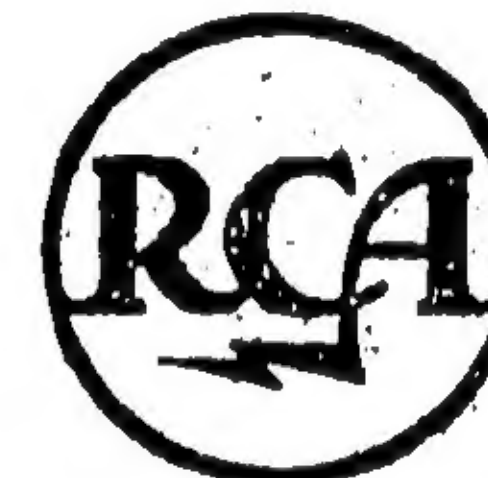
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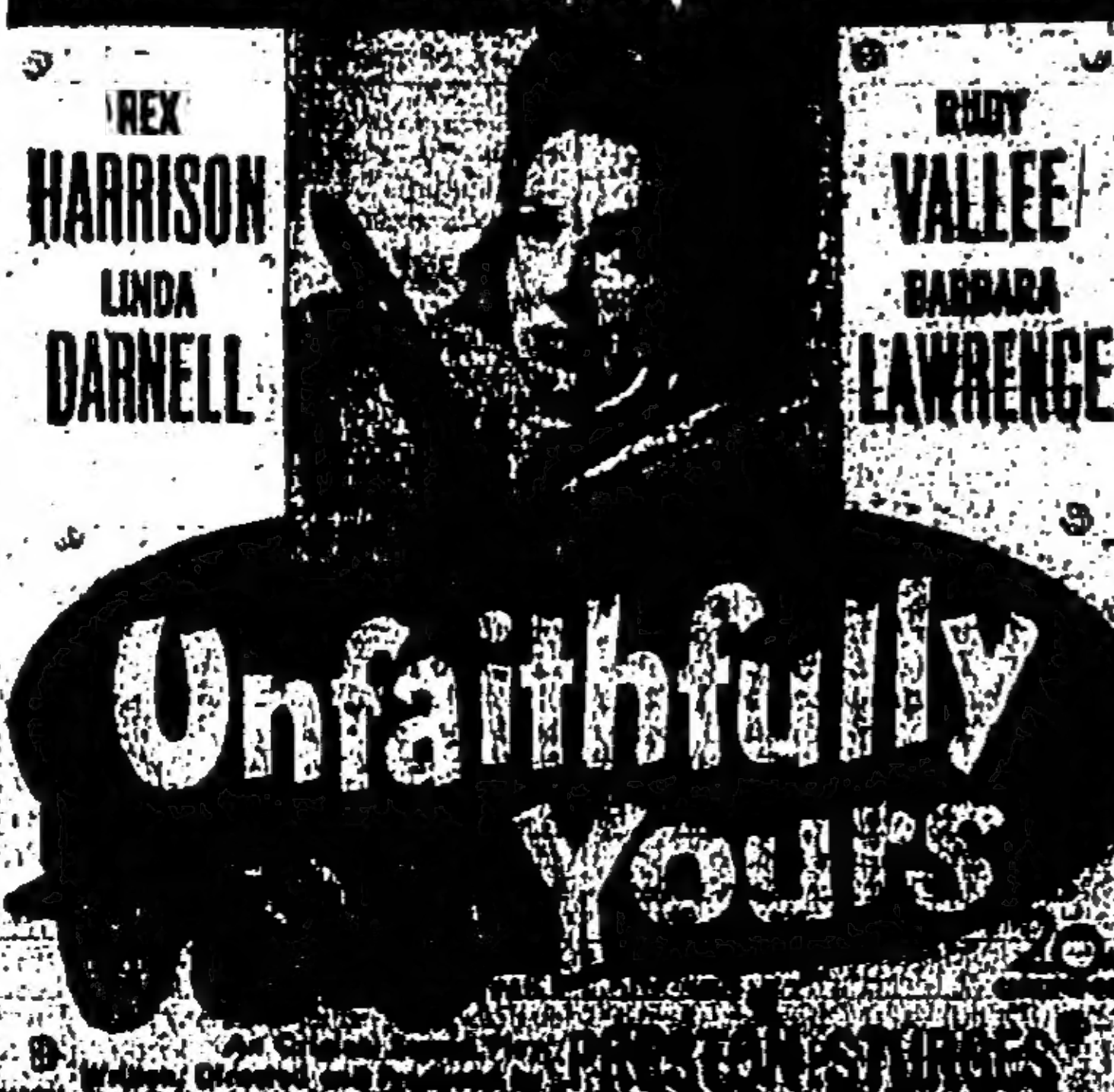


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BIRTH

JYKES—To Claire, wife of Don Jykes, a son, William Ridge-way, at Queen Mary Hospital on September 6.

DEATH

ELLIS Felix Maurice, member of I.R.K. Stock Exchange, passed away peacefully yesterday, 6th September 1949. Funeral Jewish cemetery today, 7th September 1949 at 5.30 p.m.

SECURITY MEASURES

The case of the Nationalist army officer who was not permitted to enter the Colony on his way to Taiwan was the first intimation most people had of the law banning Chinese military personnel in uniform unless prior permission is granted by the Hong Kong government. We cannot understand why this regulation was not properly publicised some time ago. The only explanation would seem to be the time-worn adage of "let's say as little as possible about these tricky matters."

The official attitude of secrecy, so deeply rooted here, seldom achieves its purpose, however. The facts usually come out eventually, often with undesirable éclat, sometimes with the unfortunate and possibly unjustified impression that the authorities have been "unmasked." In point of fact, few people could object to the ban in question. It is fairly general practice in the colonies to ban the presence or passage of other countries' men in uniform.

It is simply because of our proximity to China that her troops are the only ones affected. With the probably imminent end of the civil war, we might have crowds of ragged soldiers on our streets, an embarrassment in more ways than one. And as the Commissioner of Police said, they can still come here if they wear civilian clothes. This is just part of the tightening up process of self protection, like the ordinances relating to the registration of persons and the expulsion of undesirable. There are still many questions about these left unanswered in the public mind, and with the accustomed wall of silence there seems little way of finding out until the measures are actually put into practice. Apparently overlooked by the authorities, as suggested at the time in these columns, is what is to be done with our undesirable if Communist China refuses to have them. We will be interested to hear the answer to that one.

BRITAIN AS HOST

It now looks as if 1949 is going to be a record year for foreign travel to Britain. Even last year's high figures have been exceeded, and there has been a conspicuous increase in the number of Americans, who in one way and another are estimated to have brought in US\$10,000,000.

All this reflects the material success of the post-war drive to make foreign tourist traffic an important source of national income. Most visitors come from countries economically superior, since the war, to Britain. The old country may therefore feel flattered that so many think it worth while to endure the austerities for the sake of the

MEN, WOMEN AND MEMORIES

By ATTICUS

One of the factors which are responsible for American criticism of Britain, and which may complicate the Washington talks, is the breakdown—or, at least, partial breakdown—of bi-partisanship in American foreign policy.

Until the elections last November bi-partisanship worked very successfully. Senator Vandenberg, the chief Republican expert on foreign affairs, was the chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, and his co-operation with the State Department was cordial and regular. Now he has been replaced as chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee by Senator Connally, who is a Democrat, and his relations with Mr. Dean Acheson are formal and infrequent.

Without elaborating the influence of cause on effect, I merely chronicle the fact that today Senator Vandenberg is not only a severe critic of the State Department's policy in China, but is now openly opposed to President Truman's Bill of Arms Aid for Europe.

There is, I assert confidently, no Englishman who knows Senator Vandenberg and who does not recognise in him outstanding qualities of statesmanship. No blame can attach to him for a situation which was bound to arise once the spirit, it indeed not the rules, of the bipartisan game had been altered.

Cambridge Undergraduate

I made an obvious slip recently in saying that Lord Haweswood was an undergraduate at Oxford. In fact, he was at Cambridge, at King's College, where his musical

talent naturally received every encouragement under that fine musician Mr. Boris Ord. Lord Haweswood was in a way an honorary (and musical) member of the College from his earliest youth. For from 1923 onwards a feature of every King's Combination Room party, after the Founder's Feast on December 6, was the singing by the Tutor, of a congratulatory ode on Lord Haweswood's birth.

This annual ceremony only ceased when the subject of the ode himself came up to King's. It is said, however, that its chant-like tune has at least once been heard as an organ voluntary in Chapel.

Friend Of Byrd

New Zealanders, who know him well, will regret that Admiral Richard Byrd has had to cancel his projected expedition to the Antarctic, for Byrd has made his base there on many previous occasions, and when he was last in Wellington the Essex class carrier *Phillips* was at anchor. A newcomer to England who knows Byrd well is Rear-Admiral D. Herbert Cornwell, who took the famous explorer to the Ross Sea barrier in the winter of 1940-41. Admiral Cornwell, now attached to the U.S. Embassy, is now commanding the Essex class carrier *Phillips*.

It is unusual to find senior officers of our own Services piloting aircraft, but no fewer than three American flag officers now serving in London—Rear-

Admiral George Henderson, chief of staff to Admiral Conolly; Rear-Admiral Joseph Bolger; and Cornwell himself—all still fly their own planes on duty.

Admiral Cornwell gained his wings 25 years ago, and spent nearly the whole war in carriers in the Pacific. He is lucky to be alive, for in 1920 he survived an amazing accident when, flying at

several thousand feet, a wing of his aircraft broke off. Finding his passenger unable to free himself, he remained at the controls until the plane hit the ground and was smashed to pieces. This self-sacrifice earned the distinguished Flying Cross which he now wears.

Film Fan

The Bishop of London, who sailed for New York yesterday, will preach in Chicago, Denver, Los Angeles, San Francisco and Seattle in the course of the Congress of the American Church Union, of which he is to be the principal speaker. The Union is similar, I understand, to our Anglo-Catholic Congress, in the aims of which Dr. Wand is deeply interested.

I shall not be surprised to hear that Dr. Wand has taken the opportunity, when he reaches the Pacific coast, of visiting Hollywood. He is a great filmgoer, as Mr. Wand, and when in London goes to the cinema just across Putney Bridge from Fulham Palace about once a fortnight, on Saturday afternoons. He once told me of his admiration for Greer Garson, and Betty Davis, and of his schoolboy pleasure in fast moving "Western" films.

St. Andrews Under Fire

A notable Philippine against the proposed new golf rules has just been fired by Mr. Robert Harris, who won the Amateur Championship in 1925 at the age of 43.

Two, in particular, infuriate him. First, for an unplayable lie, it is proposed that the player can play another shot from where he last hit the ball, but that no penalty stroke shall be added to his score. The danger of this rule is that it will often profit a player to make a really bad shot—say, into a bush 20 yards from the tee—rather than a fairly bad shot of 180 yards just off the fairway.

Secondly, Mr. Harris dislikes the permission now to be given at the cost of a penalty shot for a golfer to "push, scrape, or spoon" the ball into a playable position. Pushing or scraping the ball is not a golf shot, and, if you permit him to push the ball towards the hole for a penalty shot, will he stop short of pushing the ball into the hole?

I do not think Mr. Harris exaggerates when he claims that if golfers allow the new rules to become the law, the old course of St. Andrews will be threatened with the destruction of its dominion and power as the "acropolis" of the game. There seems no reason why the relaxation of discipline should benefit golf any more than it has benefited the Army.

Sporting Rejoinder

In Sedgfield, a constituency where the Durham miner appreciates a candidate who shares his own sporting interests, Lieutenant-Colonel J. E. S. Walford is making good headway for the Conservatives.

At one of his recent meetings a heckler shouted—"Will the candidate tell us what he thinks this country needs most in the way of immediate priorities?" Without hesitation the Conservative candidate said—"Immediate priorities? Certainly—Rain, Two bowlers of Test Match class, and a New Government!"

Colonel Walford was a fine all-round cricketer in his Army days—a fast medium bowler who could swing the ball disconcertingly late. He played several matches for Worcestershire in the twenties. His wife is also a Conservative candidate; she is standing for nearby Darlington.

Pills Give Janet A Boost

By J. BARCLAY-BARR

It took a two-year-old girl—Janet Wheelwright, of Leeds—to focus the lime-light of public interest on what has for eight years been a closely guarded secret of the lighting Services.

When Janet swallowed some anti-exhaustion tablets belonging to her brother home on leave from Central Africa, and for 27 hours "blew her top off," curiosity was rife as to the origin and nature of the "Pep Pills."

They belong to what is known as the "booster" group of drugs, i.e., drugs whose effect is the direct opposite of the barbiturates, or sedatives. "Boosters" do just what the word suggests. They counteract tiredness and/or depression; they make people very much alive and awake.

Many Varieties

There are many varieties of "booster" drugs as I discovered on a visit to the Wellcome Foundation in Euston-road, London, and talked to one of its staff of research chemists, but the parent or basic drug named, pharmacologically, amphetamine. A variant of this drug is methylamphetamine. And that, either on its own or in combination with phenobarbitone and hyoscine (they are added to counteract some of the side-effects), is precisely what the "Pep Pills" consist of.

Methylamphetamine was produced as a result of Wellcome research laboratories working, as other British chemists were, at the request of the Government at the beginning of the last war to find a drug which could be used in very special circumstances to counteract fatigue resulting either from over-long hours of duty or sleeplessness due to Service conditions.

The origin is the ephedra plant (hence ephedrine), which grows mainly in China and India. Methylamphetamine is, in fact, a by-product of the manufacture of ephedrine from the parent plant.

It was in 1940 that it was first supplied to the Admiralty, War Office, and Air Ministry in the form of tablets. Distribution was carefully guarded.

These "booster" tablets, with a maximum daily dosage of five to 10 mgm. (i.e., one to two tablets), have an effect of stimulation, of invigorating the perceptions, and of giving a feeling of alertness for eight to nine hours after being taken. They have the advantage of not causing sleepiness when their effect has worn off. The effect commences about half an hour after taking.

'Extreme Measure'

They have no ill or after-effects if taken in normal doses as would be prescribed by a doctor, and they are not habit-forming. But as in the case of the Services, they should never be taken over an extended period as a regular dosage or regarded as a regular counter to depression or fatigue.

"They are, in fact, an extreme measure to meet an extreme case," a Wimpole Street specialist told me. "They should only be regarded as such. And sufferers from cardiac troubles, from coronary disease, or insomnia should never on any account take these 'Pep Pills' based on amphetamine."

The "booster" tablets have been improved since first made in 1940 in that now they act more quickly and their effect lasts longer; in many cases up to 12 hours. A Wellcome Foundation chemist told me: "On a normal untired, tuned-up person the pills will have little or no effect and certainly no improvement. It is when the person is subnormal through fatigue or depression; in cases of acute alcoholism; drug addiction; or anxiety-neurosis that the drug has its effect, which is—in the case of the correct dose—to raise the mental condition of the individual from subnormal to the normal datum line."

Must Sign Register

There "Pep Pills" can be bought by civilians at a chemist's without necessarily having a doctor's prescription. The person will have to sign the poison register and he or she must be known personally to the chemist.

The Army's Like A Giant Jellyfish

By SELBY BRADFORD

The security of Western Europe—if not, indeed, of the world—depends so much on the system of National Service as introduced into England that the problem of the life and conditions of the National Service man as an individual becomes lost in the far greater one: "Does National Service work?"

Personally, I am absolutely convinced that it does not. I also am certain that it is—in itself—a menace to the efficiency of the British Army.

From next year onwards the "conscription" soldier, on completing his 18 months' training, must temporarily serve four years in the Territorials.

In most cases, I think, he will go into this—the Reserve Army of England—unwillingly; reluctantly all the worst moments of his 18 months "Regular" service.

Lack Enthusiasm

Four out of five men at least will lack the enthusiasm—the "volunteer" spirit of the old Territorials, without whom the last two world wars might well have been lost.

That is a problem of tomorrow. It might not be so serious if one could report honestly that the Rhine Army was as highly trained and as efficient as "The Old Contemptibles" of 1914 or the BEF of 1939.

Frankly, it just is NOT. It spreads over the British zone of Germany and into Berlin like a giant jellyfish.

You can hear the shriek of pipes in Düsseldorf or Berlin. You stumble on a battalion of the Grenadiers as immaculate and here as well trained as ever, in the heathlands of Westphalia.

Battle Honours

You find regiments in towns whose name they bear proudly as a battle honour on their colours. You get lost in a maze of mobile bakeries, travelling shops, and units of such ilk.

You find a vast organisation which suggests that it is controlling a far-flung fighting force capable of living up to its name—and then, looking a little deeper, the jellyfish reappears. You prod it, and it "squiggles." There is no spine there and the substance is a sheer illusion.

It is obviously impossible to give in detail the Order of Battle of the Rhine Army.

other good things which she can offer. Recent reports show, however, that much could be done to make U.K. hospitality more attractive. The limitation on the price and number of courses of restaurant meals, the high cost of wines and spirits; the restrictions on service enforced by the new catering wages law, should be removed before next year. Not only foreigners, but Britons will be glad to see them go, and far from hampering the country's economy, the lifting of these help to improve it.

Pay Questions

That last is the kernel of everyone's thoughts on the subject. It requires elaboration later. I am as convinced that it would not involve the Treasury in great cost as I am certain that the Revised Pay Regulations, designed to improve Service conditions, and which in a number of cases have reduced an officer's pay by as much as 10 shillings a day, also should be removed from the case of the individual Service man here. This, though, is a National Service Army. I repeat what I have said before: "It does not work."

The sooner we get something that does, the better—for ourselves and the world.

COLLEGE OF EUROPE

Bruges, September 5. The College of Europe, the core of a future fully-fledged University of Europe—will be inaugurated in September 20 in this old-fashioned Flemish town. Bruges was chosen as Europe's cultural centre by the Cultural Committee of the Council of Europe earlier this year. Among those expected to attend the opening are M. Paul-Henri Spaak, President of the Council of Europe; M. Paul Van Zeland, Belgian Foreign Minister; Benigno Fraga Iribarne, Spanish Foreign Minister; and other leaders of the European Movement—Heuter-



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"Bed bugs were chiefly responsible for the sit-down strike. One would have imagined that, on the contrary, they would have made the blokes stand up very smartly.

"Revised deeds to be ready for distribution in 1950." Put me down for one.

"Airlines here to resume Kumbh hops." No, Myrtle, this is not a Chinese version of the 'litterbug'.

"1949 Nash 800, done 2,000 miles, excellent condition. What offer?" Yes, sir!

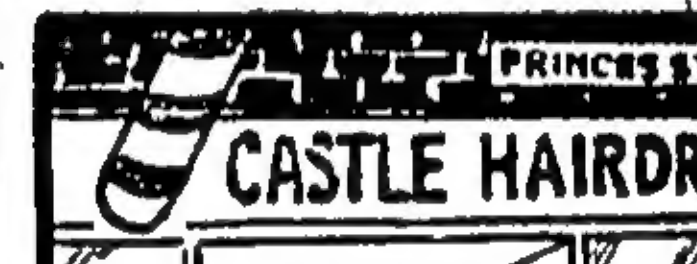
"Friend of mine bought a new car on his leave in England. The following day he stopped in a no-parking street in London while his wife went in shopping. In the warm afternoon sun he dropped off to sleep, to be awakened by a tall policeman who remarked loudly, 'For what it's going to cost you to sleep here, you could have had a room at the Savoy.'

"Vivienne... see the dancers in all their primitive fury. (Saturday night only.)—From a booklet on Haiti. How convenient...

"If a husband separates from his wife, but they are not divorced, can he take the bathtub out of the house they own jointly?" Is he handy with tools?

A correspondent writes that the Ice Age and the Stone Age lasted a long time in England, but it looks as if the Short Age will be longer.

"Showman Strachey releases more ingredients for awsets." On Burnum's assumption that there's one born every minute.



"Trade is simply terrible with all these long-haired types in town!"



WHAT'S HAPPENED TO MR. BROWN?

Up a week ago Mr. Brown was a miserable-looking chap, always grumbling, easily bored. Now he's the reverse—bright, cheerful, full of ideas. Why? Simply this. Mr. Brown has just bought one of the latest Philips Radioplayers—which means he can now enjoy top-line entertainment from all parts of the world. What is more, thanks to Philips Bandspread Tuning, he gets far-off shortwave broadcasts just as quickly and easily as his local stations. No wonder Mr. Brown is so delighted. Model BX 295U, shown here (the "Philips" gives excellent results on short and medium waves, and has bandspread on up and 25 metres. The set is fitted with 5 Rimlock valves and a loop aerial for medium wave reception.

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TITO'S CONFIDENCE THAT THERE WILL BE NO CONFLICT

London, September 5.

Marshal Tito of Yugoslavia foresees no danger of warlike complications despite the serious situation between his country and the Soviet Union.

Mr. Konni Zilliacus, British Independent Labour Member of Parliament, declared so here today after a week-end interview with the Yugoslav leader in Belgrade.

Mr. Zilliacus returned last night from a fortnight's visit to Yugoslavia during which he met most of the national leaders.

Russian Newspaper Campaign

Moscow, September 5.

"Pravda," the official newspaper of the Soviet Communist Party, said today that all the necessary conditions now exist in Yugoslavia for the creation of a new Yugoslav Communist Party.

"The new Party" member would be workers and peasants faithful to their country, and to the friendship with the Soviet Union, it said.

It would be organized in the course of the struggle of all healthy elements with the present regime, it added.

"Pravda" said that in the months immediately preceding the Communist Russian revolution, Marshal Tito had taken care to admit into the Yugoslav Communist Party a great number of Kuls (wealthy peasants), and members of bourgeois political parties.

"He then proceeded to liquidate all these internationalist and Leninist Communists in the Party," "Pravda" said.

This is why the Yugoslav Communist Party has sided with Tito, "Pravda" added.

Moscow Radio today noted the Cominform Journal as saying that dozens of thousands of loyal Communists in Yugoslavia have been tortured, starved and killed sadistically in Tito police concentration camps.

The article was by M. Rodion Golubovich, one-time Yugoslav Ambassador now an emigre in Czechoslovakia, who has been branded as a "traitor" by the Yugoslav Government.

The article stressed confidence in the ability of the remaining Yugoslav Communists, of sound ideals to overthrow the Tito Government. With changes in the Party formation, "the Tito clique has replaced Marxist-Leninist teaching with a reckless mixture of various bourgeois theories," it asserted.

Yugoslavia's Communist Party organ, "Borba," today accused Soviet Russia of concealing the true teachings of Lenin by trying to merge all Communist States under her leadership, Belgrade Radio reported.

"Borba" devoted its entire second page to a study of international relations within the Cominform by Milovan Djilas, member of the Yugoslav Politbureau, the broadcast said.

"The question arises for Communist States whether they must all merge under Russia or whether it will be more useful to have individual national Communist States," he said.

Lenin believed the formation of national Communist States was inadmissible, providing that they were forced outside what used to be the Russian Empire.—Reuter.

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United States Loan To Tito Possible

Belgrade, September 5.

The United States may shortly give Yugoslavia a \$25,000,000 loan to help face the Cominform's economic blockade.

It is understood here that final decision on the loan may be made this week.

It will be given by the Import and Export Bank of America.

It is expected that most of the money will be spent on buying machinery for non-ferrous mining equipment.

Britain is reported to have agreed to lend Yugoslavia \$20,000,000 as part of an impending five-year trade agreement calling for the exchange of some \$125,000,000 worth of goods in each direction.

The American and British loans in effect will be the West's reply to Soviet efforts to wreck Yugoslavia's economy and undermine the Tito Government by cutting off all supplies to his country.—Reuter and United Press.

GREEK REFUGEES ACCUSED

London, September 5.

Yugoslavia reported today that some of its refugee Greek Communists have turned on Tito.

Belgrade Radio, heard in London, said the anti-Tito Greeks "have set up a typical Fascist terrorist regime" over their fellows in the village of Buljke. It went on to say "followers of the Cominform resolution, which expelled Tito in the spring of 1948."

Quoting the Yugoslav Communist Party paper, "Borba," Belgrade Radio said the anti-Tito refugees have engaged in "wild profiteering deals at the expense of their fellow countrymen."

The Athens Government claimed that Yugoslavia, along with Albania, used to give the Communist Greek guerrillas refuge and protection, and that they were now left with Communist gang in the jungle are trying to break free from the clutches of bandit leaders.

"They seek an opportunity to surrender and detach themselves from lawless associations in which they have become involved, in many cases unwillingly," it said.

"If they continue with the terrorist gangs, they will be hunted down and there will be no escape."

Schuman's Views On Yugoslavia

Le Havre, September 5.

The French Foreign Minister, Robert Schuman, thinks it very desirable for Russia and Yugoslavia to ask the Security Council to help them settle their dispute.

M. Schuman gave his views on the Russian-Yugoslav squabble to a news reporter before he left aboard the French liner, De Grasse, for the Washington monetary and Atlantic pact talks and the coming United Nations General Assembly session in New York.

He does not believe that the two countries will touch off a new war.

Asked if he thinks the Security Council may help settle the dispute, M. Schuman said: "Before the differences between Yugoslavia and Russia, the two countries must ask the Council to take action. Should they do so, it would be very desirable."—United Press.

BRITISH VISIT TO TURKEY

Istanbul, September 5.

Admiral Sir Arthur Curzon, Commander-in-Chief of the Mediterranean Fleet, left Istanbul today on board the cruiser Newcastle, his flagship, on a four-day goodwill visit to Izmir.

Sir Noel Charles, British Ambassador to Turkey, was also in the cruiser, and is attending the Izmir International Fair.—Reuter.

FOUR-HOUR CLASH ON CZECH BORDER

Frankfurt, September 5.

German border police reported today that U.S. constabulary troops and Czech border police exchanged more than 600 pistol shots near Hof early on Sunday.

U.S. constabulary officers later gave their explanation. An armoured vehicle of the constabulary border control was fired upon by persons on the Czech frontier on Friday night. The Americans ignored the attack.

Early on Sunday morning a six-man American patrol in the same area found itself caught in what appeared to be an ambush. Heavy fire was opened on the Americans by persons on the Czech side of the border.

The Czechs, appearing on the border, were armed with machine guns, pistols and submachine weapons, and shot at the Americans.

The American patrol returned fire with both pistols and machine guns. Their attackers, officers said, were hidden in a wood some yards inside the American border. The U.S. patrol radioed for assistance.

Another patrol reached the scene and together the Americans forced their attackers to flee back into Czechoslovakia.

The Americans said that more than 800 rounds of ammunition were expended on the Czech side.

MALAYAN REDS GIVEN CHANCE TO SURRENDER

Kuala Lumpur, September 5.

The British have given Communist terrorists a chance to surrender and survive.

They have amended the stringent emergency regulations to remove the threat of the death penalty from all who surrender voluntarily.

Hitherto anyone carrying arms or consorting with terrorists has been liable to hanging. Seventy-three persons have been hanged since the start of the emergency 15 months ago. The emergency is costing 300,000 Malayan dollars daily.

Sir Henry Gurney, High Commissioner of the Federation of Malaya, announced the change in regulations at the same time disclosing the Government's plan to reform former terrorists who deserve it as a re-education programme.

Details of the plans for re-education have not been announced.

The RAF start to drop 250,000 pamphlets in Chinese, Indian and Tamil, tomorrow. The army, police, public address systems, district officers and mobile units are all co-operating in a vast programme to reach the terrorists deep in the jungle.

Morale Low
The Communists, almost all of Chinese extraction and former anti-Japanese guerrillas during the last war, have been taking a bad beating recently and are being flushed throughout the jungle areas.

Then morale is believed to be low, and the authorities consider this a good time to seek to remove the fringes of Communists from the hard core.

This is definitely not a relaxation of the drive against terrorism.

Sir Henry said: "Many of those now left with Communist gangs in the jungle are trying to break free from the clutches of bandit leaders."

"They seek an opportunity to surrender and detach themselves from lawless associations in which they have become involved, in many cases unwillingly," it said.

"If they continue with the terrorist gangs, they will be hunted down and there will be no escape."

Proof Needed
He said each case would be dealt with on its own merits and that the people are determined that the remaining bandits shall be eliminated with the least possible delay and resources in men and money being diverted to this purpose should become available from constructive work.

He stressed that the opportunity would not be open indefinitely and that the presence of pamphlets in the hands of unarmoured Communists would provide evidence of their intention to surrender.

He said statements by surrendering Communists would require proof after the actual surrender, but that careful instructions had been issued to the enforcement agencies to see that all opportunity for genuine surrendering was available.—Associated Press.

Canberra, September 5.
The Prime Minister Mr. J. B. Chifley, announced today that Australia will contribute £850,000 in Australian currency to the International Refugee Organisation for 1949-50. This compares with £800,000 for the two preceding years.—Associated Press.

NOAH'S ARK
Erzurum, North East Anatolia, September 5.
Dr. Aaron Smith said today that his American expedition has not lost all hope of finding the remains of Noah's Ark.

Despite the failure of the first part of the search on Turkey's 10,000-foot Mount Ararat, Dr. Smith declared: "I maintain my belief that the remains of Noah's Ark are on Mount Ararat and can be brought to light."—Reuter.

**RED PLANNING
TO ATTACK
KUALA LUMPUR?**

Kuala Lumpur, September 5.
Army and Air Force officers in Kuala Lumpur were today ordered to carry arms at all times, and city guards were doubled at all strategic points around the city following reports that Communist terrorists are planning attacks.

Six Beaufighters carried out an attack with rockets and cannon on three huts in the scrub country less than two miles from the residence of the High Commissioner, Sir Henry Gurney, after reports were received that a bandit gang was hiding in them.—Reuter.

**AMERICAN
ATTACKED
IN SIAM**

Bangkok, September 5.
The U.S. Ambassador, Mr. Edwin F. Stanton, in sharply worded, formal notes to the Prime Minister today, asked immediate action on the attempted murder of Mr. Francis J. Speers of the U.S. Embassy by unidentified robbers.

Mr. Speers was attacked and severely injured by armed robbers who pretended to be drunk and staggered in front of his jeep on the night of August 25. They attacked him when he stopped the jeep to give them assistance.

The robbers beat Mr. Speers with the butt of a 45 pistol, tied his hands and threw him into a ditch, then stole his valuables and his jeep.

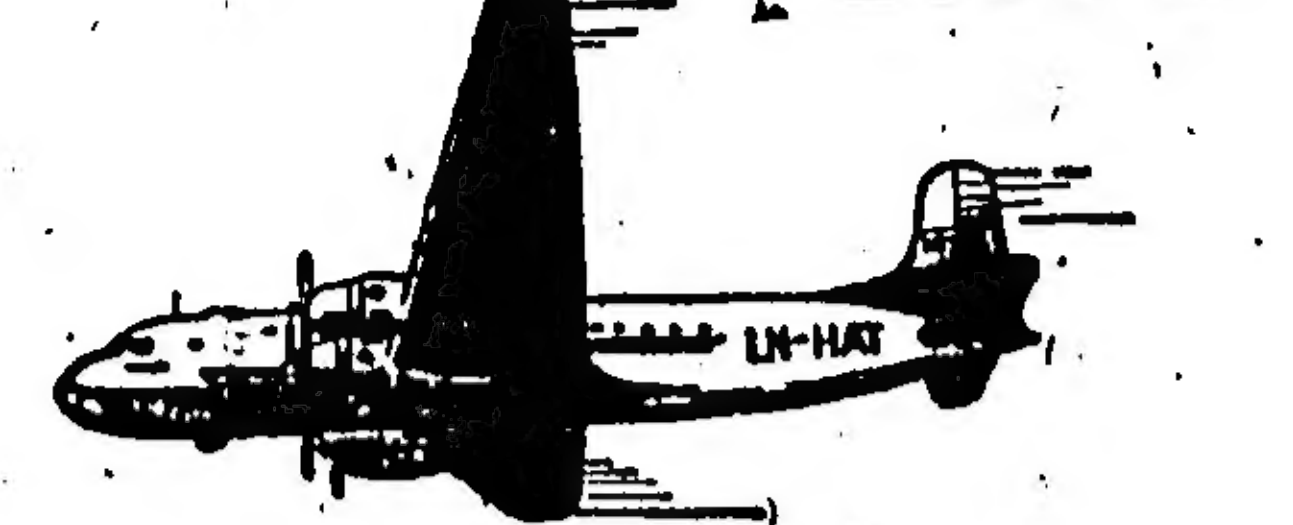
Mr. Speers managed to call a pedicab, which brought him to a hospital, where he is now recovering slowly.

The Ambassador's first note said a crime wave of lawlessness is imperilling the foreign community and he asked the Government to take all possible steps to punish malefactors and prevent a repetition of such incidents.

The second note reiterated the American community's deep concern and asked that a written reply be made immediately.

The Government is expected to reply today.—United Press.

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PLAIDS FROM PARIS



Fashion report by
Edna McKenna and Ilona

LONDON gives a welcome to the new Paris plaids which will be worn in the autumn. In deliciously muted tones quite dark shades they break right away from the conventional tartans as we know them and have a buccaneering dash of their own.

I have seen coats, suits, dresses and, of course, stoles in these new exciting shades. I was particularly struck by the emphasis on the grape theme with the rich velvet and bracken with all the muted beauty of soft pink overchecked with clerical grey, mauve teamed

with green and lime with brown.

Suits in these plaids are sleek and figure-fitting with high-buttoning jackets (and a favourite collar is the face-framing petal). Skirts straight in front often have a slight fullness at the back, or use "May-pole" panels. Stoles attached to skirts make a town outfit out of the usual jumper and skirt for country only.

Coats swinging back boldly or full at the back are belted in front.

KNOW YOUR CHILD

Experiment With Food

In these days of enlightenment and science, we know far more about the correct diet for children than was known a generation or so ago—and we have more trouble getting our children to eat.

There is no doubt about it, children in our grandparents' day may not have had such a carefully chosen and prepared meal presented to them but they did eat what was put in front of them, and apparently enjoyed it, too.

Is there any connection between our increased knowledge and our greater difficulties? I think there is. We are much more concerned about what our children eat. We know they must have green and yellow vegetables and fresh fruit and lots of milk every day, and this "must" looms so large in our minds that we develop an anxious attitude about every mouthful the child eats.

This attitude gradually gets both the mother and child so worked up and upset that mealtimes become more difficult and the child less and less healthily eager to eat.

We are so sure we know what is best for the child in the matter of diet at least, but do we? Animals seem to know what food they need and when, so why not children?

Some years ago a child expert in the United States conducted a very interesting experiment. She divided the newly-weaned children (about one year old) in an institution into two groups. One group (known as the control group) was fed on a normal, well-balanced diet for a period of six months. The other (the experimental group) was allowed to choose its own diet, in the following manner. Special horseshoe-

shaped tables were constructed each child was seated, at mealtimes, inside the semi-circle with an adult opposite him. Round the full length of the horseshoe were placed, every mealtime, in unvarying positions, a large variety of different foods in identical bowls. The child was given a spoon and whatever dish he grabbed at and attempted to eat from was fed to him by the attendant for as long as he would take it, or until he grabbed somewhere else.

For the first few days the children dived into any dish at random, sometimes sampling nearly every dish at a single meal, but after a time they settled down and a definite, deliberate and individual pattern was shown by each child.

The commonest pattern was one where the child concentrated for several days on one food or type of food only and then switched over to something quite different. Careful lists were kept of everything each child ate at each meal, and a detailed medical examina-

tion was made of every child in both groups before and after the experiment.

Chose A Balanced Diet

It was found that children in the experimental group, while not necessarily balancing their diet at a single meal or even for a day or so, over a longer period of a week or a month managed to feed themselves a perfectly balanced diet, including all the vitamins, minerals, proteins, fats, &c., necessary for perfect growth.

At the end of six months children in the experimental group had gained as much in weight and height as those in the control group and blood counts and other medical tests showed no indications of any dietary deficiency.

The experiment seemed to show that children if given free choice at an early age (before emotional attitudes and prejudices have had time to upset their choice) can choose for themselves an adequate diet and will, of their own free will, eat and enjoy the right foods.

Wouldn't it be worth while to try something of the same sort in our own homes? To a certain extent at any rate we can allow our children a choice of food. If a child "goes off" a certain food or demands the same thing meal after meal, it may be wiser to give him his head for a while.

There are several points, however, about which we must be careful. An older child who has already developed strong dislikes and an emotional attitude to mealtimes generally may not be able to adjust himself to freedom of choice in this way, and his diet may be very unbalanced for weeks.

Therefore, if such a course is contemplated it should be started before the child is two years old. The choice should be limited, of course, to foods which are suitable to the child's age. Stimulants, such as tea and coffee, highly seasoned foods and very fatty, fried foods, should not be included in the child's range of choice.

Tips For Buying Towels

(By DORIS DENISON)

Towels have come to be an important decoration feature in the bathroom, and when you buy new ones, colour and design should be carefully considered along with good wearing qualities.

Colour scheme possibilities are almost unlimited, but here are a few suggestions:

1. Deep blue towels against light blue walls. White or red monogram.
2. Dark green towels with light green border against light green walls.
3. Yellow towels with a sculptured floral pattern against aqua walls.
4. Pink towels against gray walls.
5. Maroon towels against pale yellow walls.
6. Any colour can be used with white walls, but strong colours are best.
7. Use white towels as a fresh accent along with coloured towels, or as a contrasting note against a deep-toned wall. A coloured monogram or coloured border will help to tie white towels in to your colour scheme.

Good Quality

Towels must stand up under repeated washings and hard wear, so always select ones of good quality. A towel which goes to pieces in a short time is never a bargain.

Here are some points to look for next time you shop for terry towels. They are indications of good quality and long service:

1. The underweave should be firm and closely woven. This is the basic structure of the towel which holds the loops, and you can see it best near the hem or in the border where there are no loops. Hold the towel up to the light. It should shine through in tiny pin points. If light shows through unevenly, it means that the underweave is too loosely woven.
2. The loops should be thick and close together for greatest absorbency.
3. Hems should be sewn with small stitches and securely fastened at the corners.

Care

Laundry towels frequently, before they become badly soiled. Don't iron them. Shake them out and fold smoothly.

Distribute wear evenly by rotating your towels.

Repair snags or rips immediately. Never pull a terry thread-cut it off close to the surface.

When your towels finally wear thin in the centre, don't discard them. The good portions can be used to make potholders, baby bibs, shoe-shine cloths and polishing rags. Or, cut away the worn centre portion of a large towel and use it for a protective cap when combing your hair or applying make-up.

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ANGLO-U.S. TALKS ON FAR EASTERN POLICY

London, September 5.

The Foreign Office announced tonight that its Far Eastern Department chief, Mr. M. E. Donning, will fly to Washington on Tuesday to help the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, in the dollar talks.

Other diplomatic officials reported that the United States and Britain will again try to hammer out a joint Far Eastern diplomatic front.

These officials said that general political issues are likely to form the background to the American-British-Canadian pound-dollar talks, which begin on Wednesday. Mr. Donning's trip to Washington is said to be a clear sign that the Far East situation will figure largely in the conference. Britain has substantial colonial and financial interests in South East Asia and China.

The United States has financial interests throughout the region. The outward rush of the Chinese Communists seems to menace these interests.

The U.S. earlier this year sought British and Commonwealth co-operation in developing a kind of diplomatic front toward China's Reds.

U.S. Plan

It suggested that diplomatic recognition of their government—when they formed one—should not be accorded unilaterally.

The idea was to insure that all the "non-Communist" countries with Far Eastern interests should not sacrifice Western political unity for the sake of temporary economic advantages which they might get from the Communists.

Mr. Donning had a long talk today with the Thai Finance Minister, Prince Vithat Chaiyapant.

Prince Vithat, who saw the Prime Minister, Mr. Adee, last week, hopes to borrow money from Britain to buy arms. He is going on to Washington to see Mr. Bevin.

Hong Kong

One urgent aspect of British-American diplomatic—and possibly military—policy that has to be settled concerns the position of Hong Kong, the officials said.

Britain has sought an assurance that if the Chinese Reds threaten the colony, the U.S. will back her demand for swift United Nations Security Council action.

The U.S. is believed to be willing to do this, the sources said.

American Attack On Controls

New York, September 6.

The Tanners' Council of America, Incorporated, says numerous opportunities to earn dollars by the sale of hides and skins to the United States are ignored and deliberately blocked by restrictive and discriminatory controls and barter arrangements in various foreign countries.

"It is strikingly incongruous to find that countries in need of dollars are reluctant to take the straightforward, simple measures which could earn U.S. cash commercially and legitimately," the Council said in a report.

"In several nations, there is substantial evidence that short-sighted and selfish restrictions in favour of domestic interests have been allowed to override the fundamental objectives of economic stability and expanded trade."

The Council said the United States, as a major hide and skin importing nation, has always drawn raw materials from abroad and could import substantially more today. Consumption of foreign hides and skins in the U.S. could be expanded, particularly at levels consistent with the realities of competitive pricing and consumer requirements.

"Practices followed by various countries, clearly aimed at preventing the sale of raw materials in the United States for dollars, cannot be reconciled with the professed dollar shortage and need for aid," the Council contended.

The Council described as astonishing some of the results of these practices.

"On the one hand, dollars have been lost. On the other there is evidence that stocks have piled

up to the point where domestic markets are disorganised," it said.

"Selfish motives have been stimulated, of course, by current fears and the desire to hold on to large inventories. And judging from trade reports, there are even more unsavoury conditions in those foreign areas where internal controls have become a device for extraordinary profits."—Associated Press.

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London, September 5. Dollar leakages through shipment of sterling area commodities, including rubber and pepper, to false destinations are causing increased concern in the Board of Trade, authoritative quarters said today.

Official quarters are in possession of copious evidence that consignments of both pepper and rubber to London from Malaya and India have been redirected to the United States.

These developments are said to be stultifying the London pepper market.

Pepper merchants say it is a problem which needs to be discussed in the forthcoming Washington talks.

Rubber market reports said there is no known loss of dollars through trans-shipment of rubber re-exported from Britain.

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FINANCIAL CRISIS

Vital Talks Open In U.S. Today

Washington, September 5.

American, British and Canadian leaders meet here on Wednesday to see if they can find a mutually acceptable solution to Britain's money troubles.

Pessimism has been the keynote of nearly all advance discussions. The consensus of expert opinion on both sides of the Atlantic is that drastic measures are necessary to cure Britain's chronic and now critical shortage of dollar earnings.

However, political as well as economic facts of life are involved and there is widespread doubt whether the conference can agree on a plan that satisfies both requirements.

The U.S. Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. John Snyder, and the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, who will represent the United States, go into the conference with clear forebodings that Congress is in no mood for any new American loan to Britain.

Sir Stafford Cripps, Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Mr. Ernest Bevin, Foreign Secretary, are coming from Britain equally aware that their Government will be on the spot if they accept any scheme calling for a sharp drop in the British worker's standard of living.

The Canadian Finance Minister, Mr. Douglas Abbott, and the Foreign Minister, Mr. Lester Pearson, are expected to take the standard that their country is already doing just about all it can afford in helping Britain.

One weighty factor lies on the other side of the scales.

Strong Conviction

The officials of all three countries share the strong conviction that somehow Britain must be restored to the status of a strong and self-supporting nation in the democratic front against Communism.

The conference gets under way in a secluded chamber on the fifth floor of the State Department building at about 11 a.m. on Wednesday. The talks are expected to last about a week.

The problem is a nutshell: Britain is not earning enough dollars to pay for the things she wants to buy from America. Since the end of World War II, this "dollar gap" has been bridged by a succession of U.S. loans and grants, the latest of which has been made through the Marshall European recovery programme.

This aid is to end in 1952, and even with her present Marshall Plan allotment of nearly US\$1,000,000,000 per year Britain is not able to make ends meet and has been dipping steadily into her dangerously low gold reserves.

Economists agree that, broadly speaking, there are only two ways to close the gap:

Two Remedies

1. Britain to buy less from the United States. Sir Stafford Cripps

Warning To Russian Officials

London, September 5.

The official Russian Communist organ "Pravda" warned today that plant and farm managers who give lavish banquets at public expense will be liquidated. The "Pravda" article, broadcast by Radio Moscow, also disclosed that there has been some pilfering of collective farm property.

It said: "He who covets public socialist property is undermining the economic might of Soviet Russia. Some managers of workers are often prone to show off their lavishness and kindness at the expense of the state under the guise of awards and presents, and encouragement of all kinds of administrative work by means of various soirees and banquets on any and every occasion—or even without any reason whatever."

"Violation of collective farm constitution and squandering of collective farm property have not yet been completely liquidated. It is not surprising that wherever a complacent and slack atmosphere prevails, thieves, embezzlers and crooks feel completely at home. Behind the backs of lazy or simply incapable managers they are brazenly carrying on."—United Press.



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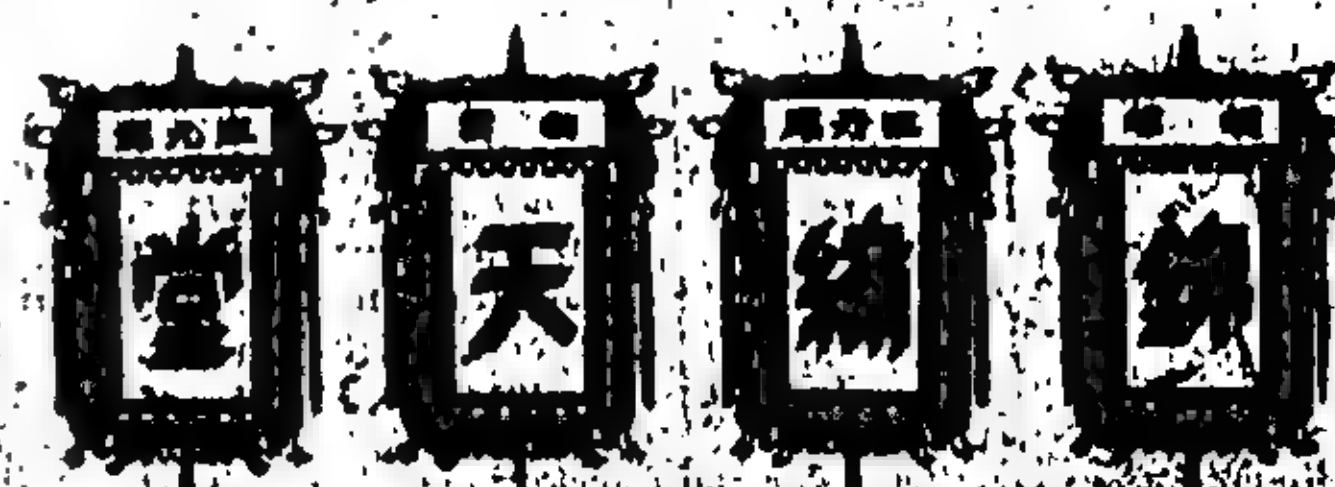
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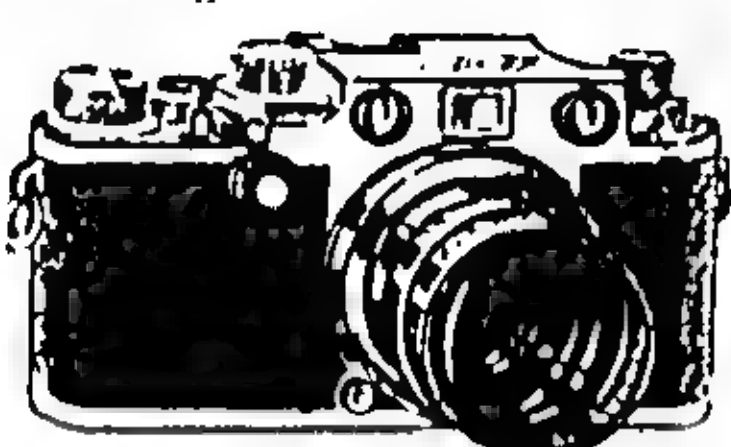
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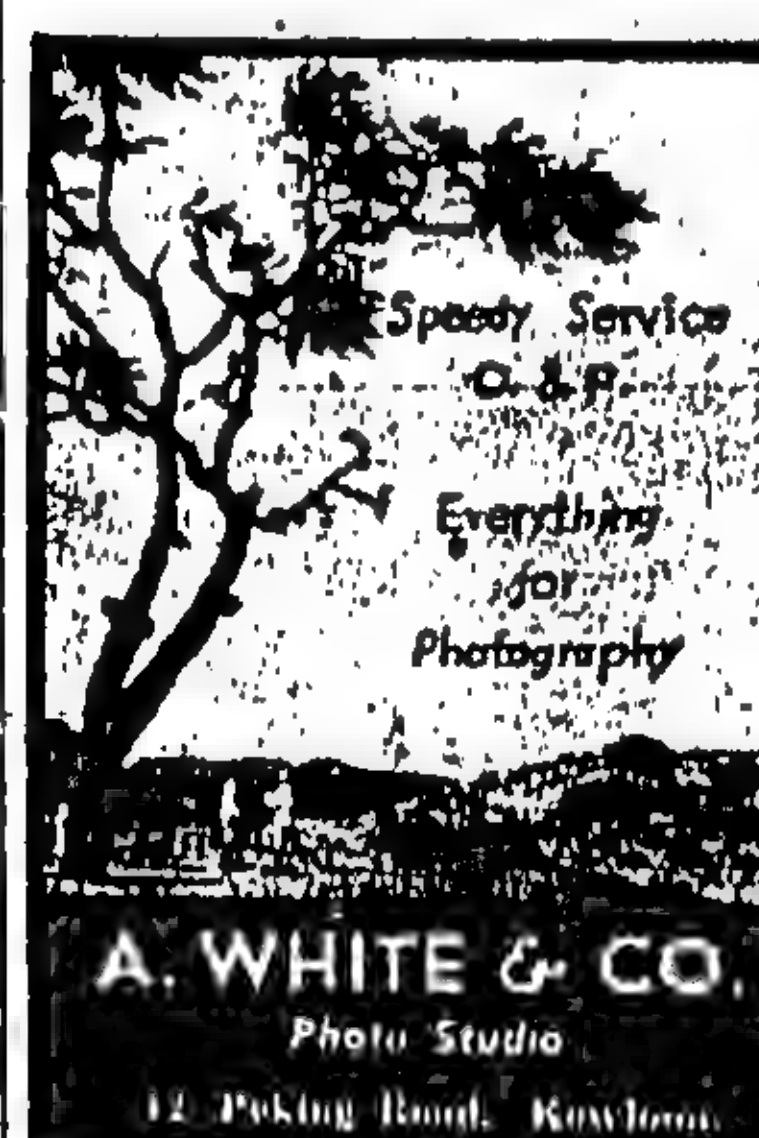
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TEEN AGE TOPICS



Babies For Hire

By BETTY BETZ

"Look! I'm not a spy or opium smuggler, and the cameras are for my work! I exclaimed to the customs men at the airport who seem very suspicious of foreigners and especially those who write for newspapers.

"No politics... just kids!" I screamed and to prove it I shoved one of my column clippings under the nose of one of the customs men.

My clipping was passed around to a dozen officials and it was translated into Arabic by one character who seemed to speak English. In fact he said "Hubba hubba" to me when I filled out one of the declaration forms. There couldn't have been more red tape getting into Egypt, and I was about to lose my temper when I was escorted to a handsome mustachioed colonel who saluted and bade me enter his small office.

"You got any gold, candy, opium, or narcotics?" he asked me. I thought when I told him "no," I'd be released, but he had news for me. I was not permitted to enter Egypt because my visa had expired two days ago. I had two choices... either to get back on the plane and fly to Beyrouth, or pay 70 piastres for a new visa. I knew that routine. You sit on a hard wooden bench for an hour until your passport finally returns with a little stamp which takes about one second flat to slap on the page.

"I'll tell Senator Fath about this!" I threatened them, and suddenly the atmosphere changed to warmth and cordiality. Senator Fath is a big wheel over here, owns the best newspaper, and entertains many visiting Americans. My passport was stamped immediately free of charge, one of the officers brought me a soft drink, and my bags weren't even looked at.

I understand there's a big beggar syndicate run by some rich pasha, who doles out measly rations of food every day and in return these urchins must turn in all of the till for their days begging.

Newly arrived American tourists seldom know the background and fall like a ton of bricks for a dirty faced muppet with tangled hair wearing last year's rags.

There's one little barefooted 10-year old girl who stands outside Shepheard's Hotel with her grimy palms extended for "buckshesht." Just to tug at your heart strings a bit more, she carries a small pock-marked baby in her arms. I was about to throw her a few pennies when I was given a stiff warning by an American businessman.

"Don't be silly... that little girl has been here for years and for a few pinstres she rents a different baby every day!"

It was then I realised that begging is a career for some of these poor kids, and it's not only in Egypt, but in China, India, and many other countries where there is no relief organisation to take care of the homeless waifs.

How fortunate we are in the USA that kids of unfortunate circumstances are taken care of. Perdenly there are many in our country who could use a few more meals per day, but you would seldom see them begging on the streets. In our country, we have more generosity among the Americans who donate to organisations which help feed and clothe the unlucky kids. But in foreign countries there's the rich and the poor and "seldom the twain do meet."

So hang onto those constructive and worthwhile jobs, kids, and be thankful you don't live in a country where stretching out your grimy palm for silver is a career!

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Platter Chatter

(Editor's Note: In an American magazine recently, an American jazz critic slammed viciously at a number of artists unmercifully regarded as jazz' beats. This article, was referred to the Wren by one of his readers. And here is what our own "little bird" has to say.)

A well paid American critic wishes his public to believe two things about himself. That he is an excellent judge of singers and that he is a very brave man.

He tells us that a critic practically risks his life by coming out with the statement that Bing Crosby is finished but he, not being a weak-kneed critic, must tell his readers the painful truth that Der Bingle is finished as a singer.

Of Sinatra, he claims Frankie is sounding worse with every record. Perry Como and Dick Haymes do not satisfy him as their style is too close to the Crosby pattern.

The sad situation, according to this highly paid individual, also extends to the girl singers. Dinah Shore, Peggy Lee, Jo Stafford, Lee, Jo Stafford and Margaret Whiting behind such old timers

as Maxine Sullivan, Connie Bonwell, Georgia Gibbs and Chippie Hill. He raves over Marlene Dietrich who according to him, although a grandmother, puts such passion into her voice!

Such criticisms are calculated to shock or stun us so that we should be ashamed to be caught listening to anything except Maxine's Lech Lomond or La Dietrich's Lili Marlene.

Teen-Time's Challenge

At the risk of being contrary to such authoritative criticism, Teen-Time is featuring this week "Songs by the top vocalists."

You will not hear anything by Chippie Hill or Dietrich but you will hear Bing, Perry Como, Sinatra, Dick Haymes, Dinah Shore, Peggy Lee, Jo Stafford, Lee, Jo Stafford and Margaret Whiting behind such old timers

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Actually boys enjoy getting letters from girls, but many of them get embarrassed by all the sweet talk, so if you want to stand out longer, you would make your letters witty, newsworthy and un sentimental as possible.

Always remember that a prowling little brother or sister might grab hold of your letter, which might cause no end of embarrassment if you've let loose a lot of Casanova chatter.

Then if letters are careless left around, you never can tell who the snooper may be.

Cut the sentiment and try improve your writing style. Perhaps you never stopped to think about it, but writing good letters is how many of our famous authors got their start.

If you fill the page with your own humour and personality, your letters will be as welcome as a breath of fresh air in a smog-filled room. But if your letters are the usual dull, uninteresting notes which might have been written by anyone, you may be sure of a slow answer.

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The Hague, September 5.

Dr. J. K. Van Maarseveen, Netherlands Minister of Overseas Territories, said today that the Dutch delegates to the Indonesian round table conference are now united on proposals to transfer sovereignty over the East Indies to the Indonesians.

He declined at a news conference to give details on the Dutch stand.

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When the Indonesian leaders started two weeks ago, the Dutch delegates were reported to be sharply divided on how to handle the issue of how to deal with the Dutch colonies.

The Indonesian Republicans have demanded complete political, economic and military independence while consenting to keep some sort of formal link with the Dutch crown.

The fact that an agreement had been reached among the Dutch delegates is taken by observers as an indication that the gap between the Dutch and Indonesian positions has been narrowed.

Dr. Van Maarseveen said that progress has been made in executing the cease the agreement between Dutch troops and Indonesian Republicans.

"However, we want to see more progress made," he added without explanation.

Getting Down To It
Dr. Van Maarseveen said "We have got away from the stage of deciding procedure and are getting down to the major suggestions of the conference."

"We are still only at the beginning of the conference and have spent the time getting acquainted with each other's viewpoints. No one has any idea when the conference will end."

Asked what the Netherlands delegation's attitude is to the cease-fire order in Indonesia, the Minister said, "Undoubtedly there has been much progress without the maximum having been achieved."

The plant, the Ruhr Chemie Factory here, was occupied by a battalion of the First Manchester Regiment this morning.

Their job was to protect a crew of 80 German dismantlers ordered by British authorities to tear down equipment that could be used for war production.

The dismantlers followed the troops into the plant.

Throughout the day they worked quietly at their jobs while British soldiers in full battle dress and protected by six Bren carriers with mounted guns patrolled the plant to prevent disturbances.

Twenty of the dismantlers stopped work under the battle-filled stress of the plant's normal workers. The other 40, previously unemployed, remained at their jobs.

In the late afternoon the dismantlers went home. The plant's 3,000 workers followed them. The British soldiers were left in the empty factory.

The British prepared to stay if need be. A factory room was converted into a mess, another into a first aid room.

The officer in charge of the troops moved into an office. An area where their trucks, radio cars and equipment stood was marked off as a "military restricted area."

But most of the soldiers stood around their trucks. Some are expected either to leave for the night or to be relieved. Others continued to patrol the workshop and office buildings, empty except for a few night watchmen.

Equipment that was formerly used for making synthetic petrol and industrial goods from coal is due to be dismantled. The job may take six months.—Associated Press.

JOINT APPROACH TO RUSSIA
London, September 12.
Britain, France and the United States are likely to make a joint appeal in Moscow to the Soviet Government to agree to a further session of the special deputies for Austria, being held in New York on September 22.

Instructions, which were prepared last weekend by the Foreign Office for the British Ambassador in Moscow, Sir David Kelly, to press for agreement to the session in New York, are understood to have been held back so that a joint approach can be made.—Reuter.

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Honolulu, September 5.
"Hawaii and the Philippines are the last barriers against the further spread of Communism from Asia into the Western world," Governor Ingram M. Stainback declared today in a Labour Day address.

"The Soviets having been checked in Western Europe, is it not a reasonable conclusion that they plan to invade the Western world by way of the East?" asked the Governor in a speech before the American Federation of Labour.—Associated Press.

POST OFFICE
MAIL NOTICE
Outward Mails
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The inward mail from United Kingdom, scheduled to arrive on Monday, September 5, is now expected to arrive on Wednesday, September 7, 1949.

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Closing Times by Air
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Closing Times by Sea
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Closing Times by Air
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Closing Times by Sea
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Japan, 11 a.m.
Formosa, via Keelung, 2 p.m.
Manila, 2 p.m.FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9
Closing Times by Air
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Airmail for Japan, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m. (Ord.) 5 p.m.
Closing Times by Sea
Bangkok, 10 a.m.
Japan, 11 a.m.
Formosa, via Keelung, 2 p.m.
Manila, 2 p.m.SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10
Closing Times by Air
Airmail for Swatow, (Reg.) 11 a.m. (Ord.) 11.30 a.m.
Airmail for Manila, (Reg.) 12 Noon. (Ord.) 12.30 p.m.
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Closing Times by Sea
Bangkok, 10 a.m.
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Formosa, via Keelung, 2 p.m.
Manila, 2 p.m.SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11
Closing Times by Air
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Airmail for Manila, (Reg.) 12 Noon. (Ord.) 12.30 p.m.
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Closing Times by Sea
Bangkok, 10 a.m.
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Formosa, via Keelung, 2 p.m.
Manila, 2 p.m.MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12
Closing Times by Air
Airmail for Swatow, (Reg.) 11 a.m. (Ord.) 11.30 a.m.
Airmail for Manila, (Reg.) 12 Noon. (Ord.) 12.30 p.m.
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Closing Times by Sea
Bangkok, 10 a.m.
Japan, 11 a.m.
Formosa, via Keelung, 2 p.m.
Manila, 2 p.m.TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13
Closing Times by Air
Airmail for Swatow, (Reg.) 11 a.m. (Ord.) 11.30 a.m.
Airmail for Manila, (Reg.) 12 Noon. (Ord.) 12.30 p.m.
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Closing Times by Sea
Bangkok, 10 a.m.
Japan, 11 a.m.
Formosa, via Keelung, 2 p.m.
Manila, 2 p.m.WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14
Closing Times by Air
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Closing Times by Sea
Bangkok, 10 a.m.
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Formosa, via Keelung, 2 p.m.
Manila, 2 p.m.THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15
Closing Times by Air
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Closing Times by Sea
Bangkok, 10 a.m.
Japan, 11 a.m.
Formosa, via Keelung, 2 p.m.
Manila, 2 p.m.FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16
Closing Times by Air
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Closing Times by Sea
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Formosa, via Keelung, 2 p.m.
Manila, 2 p.m.SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17
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Closing Times by Sea
Bangkok, 10 a.m.
Japan, 11 a.m.
Formosa, via Keelung, 2 p.m.
Manila, 2 p.m.SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18
Closing Times by Air
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Closing Times by Sea
Bangkok, 10 a.m.
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Formosa, via Keelung, 2 p.m.
Manila, 2 p.m.MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19
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Closing Times by Sea
Bangkok, 10 a.m.
Japan, 11 a.m.
Formosa, via Keelung, 2 p.m.
Manila, 2 p.m.TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20
Closing Times by Air
Airmail for Swatow, (Reg.) 11 a.m. (Ord.) 11.30 a.m.
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ROYAL INTEROCEAN LINES

JAVA PORTS and MACASSAR	SAILINGS	ARRIVALS
"TJIBADAK"	15th Sept.	In Port
"TJISADANE"	17th Sept.	17th Sept.
"TJITALENGKA"	1st Oct.	30th Sept.

MANILA	SAILINGS	ARRIVALS
"TASMAN"	8th Sept.	12th Sept.
"TJIBADAK"	15th Sept.	14th Sept.
"TJISADANE"	15th Sept.	
"TJITALENGKA"	22nd Sept.	
"STRAAT MALAKKA"	7th Oct.	25th Sept.
"BOISSEVAIN"	5th Nov.	18th Oct.
"STRAAT SOENDA"	30th Nov.	

SINGAPORE, PENANG and BELAWAN DELI	SAILINGS	ARRIVALS
"VAN HEUTS"	17th Sept.	12th Sept.
"VAN RIEMSDIJK"	8th Oct.	29th Sept.

EAST & SOUTH AFRICA & SOUTH AMERICA	SAILINGS	ARRIVALS
"TJIPONDOK"	15th Sept.	25th Nov.
"TJISADANE"	22nd Sept.	
"STRAAT MALAKKA"	7th Oct.	25th Sept.
"BOISSEVAIN"	5th Nov.	18th Oct.
"STRAAT SOENDA"	30th Nov.	

JAPAN	SAILINGS	ARRIVALS
"STRAAT MALAKKA"	In Port	13th Sept.
"TJIPONDOK"	25th Sept.	8th Oct.
"BOISSEVAIN"	20th Oct.	20th Oct.
"STRAAT SOENDA"		

Agents: HOLLAND-EAST ASIA LINE	SAILINGS	ARRIVALS
"RIJNKERK"	9th Sept.	9th Sept.
"MARIEKERK"	End Sept.	Early Oct.
"MOLENERK"	End Oct.	

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FINANCE AND COMMERCE

CRITICAL PERIOD IN WAGE DISAGREEMENTS

Washington, September 5. Labour Day ushered in the most crucial 60-day period in union and management relations since the end of the war, Government officials said today.

They point out that the Federal Mediation Director, Cyrus Ching, goes to New York City on Wednesday to start meetings aimed at ending the four-month-old Hawaiian dock strike.

In the seven days following the shutdown crisis, labour in the steel, coal and auto industries.

Mr. Ching and other Government officials are hopeful that a wave of big strikes involving 3,000,000 workers can be averted. Their hopes are pinned to the peaceful settlement of the steel wage dispute.

President Truman's fact finding board is due to make recommendations next Saturday for settling the United Steel Workers' demands for a fourth post-war wage increase, pensions and insurance.

If the board recommends wage increases, most industry and union sources believe it will run from five to 10 cents an hour. Some believe that no wage increase will be recommended.

Pensions Issue

Both labour and management expect a recommendation of the insurance system since the United States Steel Corporation, leader in the industry, offered to match the employees' contributions under a plan proposed to the Union.

The issue of pensions is expected to be referred back to the parties for further study.

Most officials believe that the United States Steel and Steel workers' President, Philip Murray, may use the board recommendations for negotiating a settlement sometime before September 14, the strike deadline.

All agree that a peaceful settlement will smooth the way for agreement in other industries.

Anglo-Russian Trade Talks

London, September 5. An Anglo-Soviet deal which would give Britain 1,000,000 tons of Russian grain without any general trade agreement is believed to be imminent.

A grain agreement was initiated some time ago but was contingent upon a short-term trade pact being agreed between Britain and Russia.

Negotiations are proceeding on the basis of a straight deal for the grain.

Russia would be paid in sterling. Britain has already contracted with the Soviet Union for the supply of 100,000 standards of softwood timber.—Reuter.

Indian Experts in U.S.

New York, September 5. A number of India's leading experts in financial affairs are assembling here and later in Washington in connection with the dollar talks and the joint meeting of the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund.

Mr. B. K. Nehru, Joint Secretary of the Indian Finance Ministry, arrived in New York this morning. Sir B. Rama Rao, the Governor of the Reserve Bank of India, is arriving this evening.—Reuter.

Notice to Consignees

S.S. "TYDEUS"

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Hong Kong, September 6, 1949.

SHIP MOVEMENTS

San Francisco, September 6. Flying Dragon from Okinawa. Departure September 4: Philippine Bear for Yokohama.—Associated Press.

London, September 5. The world's largest cable ship, Britain's 8,050-ton Monarch, has been chartered by Italy for cable laying and repairs off Gibraltar and in the South Atlantic.—Reuter.

HAIFA'S PORT

Tel Aviv, September 5. Plans made by Israeli engineers and approved by American experts who visited Haifa recently will enable the port to handle 2,000,000 tons next year.

Notice

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

S.S. "BENNEVIS"

Due Hong Kong 6th September, 1949.

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JAPS SIGN PACT WITH GERMANY

Frankfurt, September 5. Germany and Japan have reached their first post-war financial agreement, it was announced tonight.

The document was signed on September 2 by the American, British and French High Commissioners-designate.

The financial agreement is the first step toward a trade pact which is now under negotiation between the two countries.

It has been sent to General Douglas MacArthur for signature.

It was announced that General MacArthur has already approved its terms.

Payments between the two conquered enemy partners will be made through an open account of the Chiao National Bank in Tokyo, as agent of the Bank of German States.

Net balances will be calculated on July 30 of each year, and will be settled in terms of American dollars, it was announced.—Associated Press.

ITALIAN BANK STRIKE FLOPS

Rome, September 5. Business at Italian banks was almost normal today despite a bank workers' union call for a general walkout.

The banks brought in clerks to holiday and in retirement to replace an estimated 50 per cent of the workers who stayed away.

The strike was in protest against an extension of the banking hours into the afternoon, a move which would deprive most of the employees of part-time work.

Ancona workers held a two-hour general strike this morning in sympathy with the bank workers. Turin and Leghorn workers are due to stage similar strikes tomorrow.—Reuter.

Money Market

US dollars again took the downward slide yesterday, dropping to HK\$5.74 at the close, after opening at \$5.92. These two were the lowest and highest rates of the day.

TT was out through from HK\$5.83 to \$5.89 1/2.

Sterling was higher at HK\$11.60, as also were Australian pounds at HK\$12.20.

Piastres were quoted at HK\$12.45 a 100.

Ticals were unchanged at HK\$26.00 a 100.

NFI Guilders made a big downward plunge, and closed at HK\$24.50 a 100, after opening at \$26.50. The opening rate the previous day was \$27.70.

Notice to Consignees

From JAPAN

Consignees per ship

S.S. "EASTERN"

are hereby notified that their cargo will be discharged into the Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., where it will lie at consignees' risk and expense and subject to terms and conditions of storage of the Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd. The cargo is expected to be ready for delivery from the Godown on and after the 7th September, 1949.

Cargo is considered as being accepted in good order and condition by consignees, unless broken, chafed and damaged packages are left in the Godown for subsequent examination by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas in the presence of consignees, at 10 a.m. on the 8th & 12th September, 1949.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulation, consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when dutiable goods are examined.

All damaged cargo claims against the steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 28th September, 1949, or they will not be recognised.

No fire insurance will be effected.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have been taken delivery of ex ship's side or alternatively ex the Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co's premises unless a joint survey has previously been effected.

MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & COMPANY, Agents.

E. & A. S. S. Co. Ltd.

AMERICAN PRESIDENT LINES

The Global Fleet

TO HONOLULU & SAN FRANCISCO via JAPAN

"General Gordon" Arr. Sept. 20 Sail Sept. 21
"President Wilson" Arr. Sept. 20 Sail Sept. 21
"President Cleveland" Arr. Oct. 15 Sail Oct. 16

TO SAN FRANCISCO & LOS ANGELES via JAPAN

"President McKinley" Arr. Sept. 25 Sail Sept. 26
"President Taft" Arr. Oct. 3 Sail Oct. 4

TO NEW YORK, BALTIMORE & BOSTON via PACIFIC COAST & PANAMA

"President Grant" Arr. Oct. 4 Sail Oct. 5
"Marine Snapper" Arr. Nov. 1 Sail Nov. 2

AROUND THE WORLD

VIA MANILA, SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, KARACHI, SUEZ, PORT SAID, ALEXANDRIA, NAPLES, MARSEILLES, GENOA, NEW YORK AND BOSTON

"President Van Buren" Arr. Sept. 9 Sail Sept. 10
"President Jefferson" Arr. Sept. 18 Sail Sept. 20

TO JAVA & STRAITS

"Marine Snapper" Arr. Sept. 23 Sail Sept. 24

Opposite Star Ferry Tel. 28172/5.

BEN LINE

ARRIVALS

SHIP FROM DUE

"BENNEVIS" U.K. via Singapore In Port

"BENLEUCH" Japan 7th Sept.

"BENALBANACH" do 10th Sept.

"BENAVON" U.K. via Singapore 10th Oct.

"BENVEDI" do 2nd half Oct.

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